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THE WESTON KE

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BOICHI

Nothing makes me happier than the rough drafts I receive from Inagaki Sensei each week. Getting to draw all these nature scenes is such a joy.

Every week I think about the giant trees, vines and mosses. I think about Senku, living amongst all that. He's a man striking out on his own in the grandeur of this world. As someone trying to make his way in the big bad world of Japanese manga, I have an inkling of what he must be going through.

Senku!! Life is all about that trade-off! Loneliness for grandeur!

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RIICHIRO INAGAKI

A writer is different than a mangaka in that he or she has no staff. The stalwart author sits silently in the office, always toiling alone.

How lonely! Solo work all day every day would get lonely as heck!

Working themselves to the bone just like Senku, alone in the world... If it ever comes to that for me, I don't think I could stand it. You're one impressive guy, Senku!

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**TWO KINGDOMS OF
THE STONE WORLD**

STORY **RIICHIRO INAGAKI**
ART **BOICHI**

STORY

Every human on Earth is turned to stone by a mysterious phenomenon, including high school student Taiju. Nearly 3,700 years later, Taiju awakens and finds his friend Senku, who revived a bit earlier. Together, they vow to restore civilization!

It's been a year since Taiju freed himself from petrification, and he and Senku have finally perfected the revival formula! With this potion, they manage to revive a battle-ready ally named Tsukasa. However, their new friend has other plans in mind and starts smashing petrified people in an effort to cleanse humanity. After reviving an old classmate, Yuzuriha, our heroes have charted a course for Hakone, where they hope to make the one thing that might possibly stop Tsukasa—gunpowder!

YUZURIHA

A cheery girl with a playful side. As a former member of the crafting club, she's got a particularly dexterous pair of hands. And she's no slouch when it comes to cooking, either!

Known as "History's Strongest Primate High Schooler," Tsukasa is fearsome enough to take down a pack of lions barehanded. He believes that only the purehearted youth should inhabit the new world.

TSUKASA

CHARACTERS

TAIJU

A friend to Senku, who calls Taiju "big oaf" or "musclehead." A kind and earnest young man at heart, Taiju refuses to attack another person. His heart belongs to Yuzuriha.

SENKU

A young man with a passion for science. With belief in the power of science and armed with prodigious knowledge, he's crafted what he needs to survive in this brave new Stone World. His catchphrase is "Get excited!"

$E=mc^2$

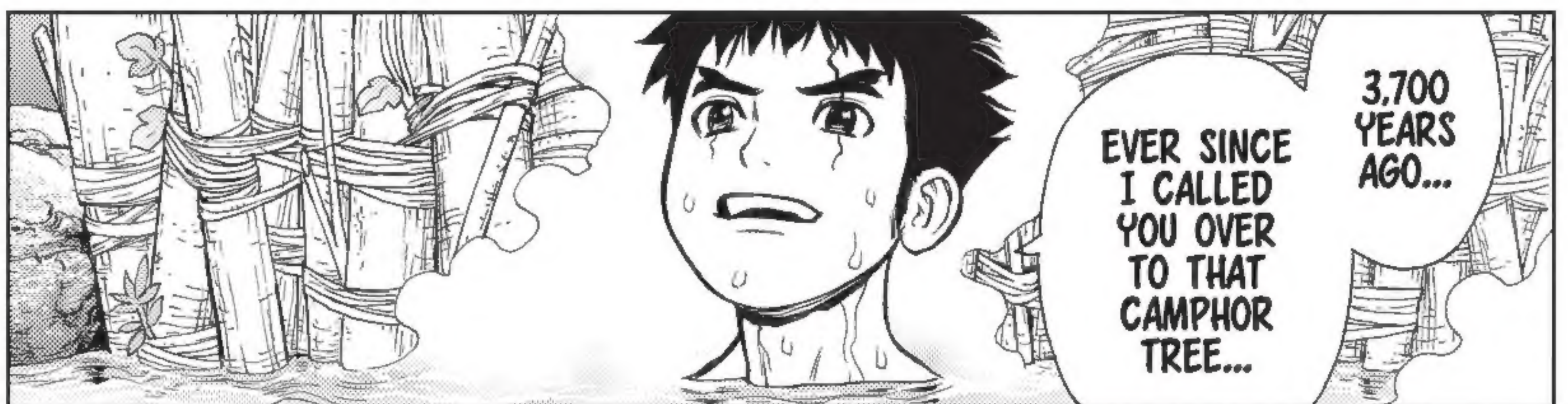
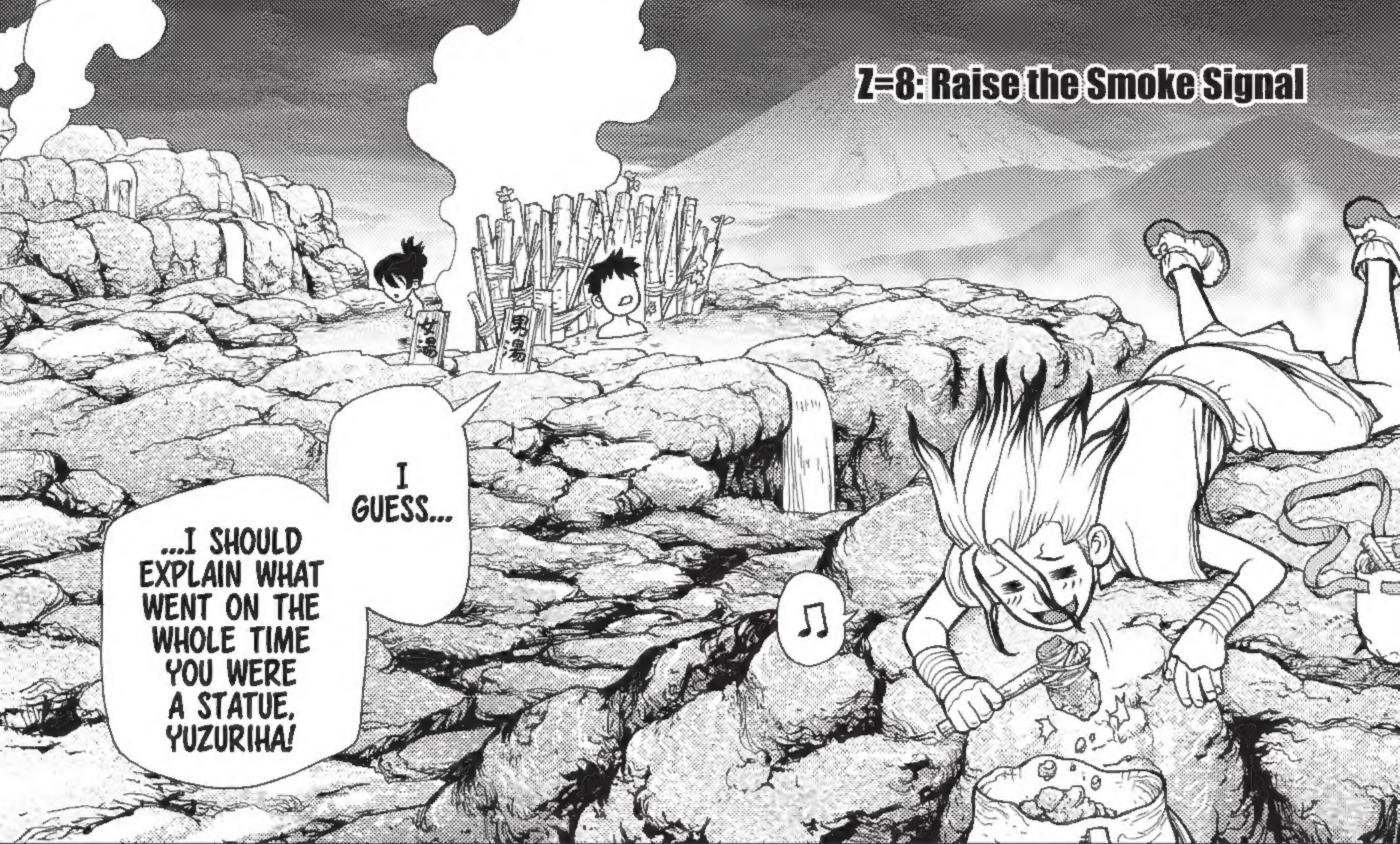
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TWO KINGDOMS OF THE STONE WORLD

Z=8: Raise the Smoke Signal





YUZU-
RIHA.



FOR
HUN-
DREDS...

THE
WHOLE
TIME I
WAS A
STATUE...

...I ONLY
THOUGHT
ABOUT
CONTINUING
OUR
CONVERSA-
TION.

...AND
THOU-
SANDS OF
YEARS.



IF I SAY
WHAT I
WANTED
TO SAY...

...THAT WOULD
MAKE ME
THE BIGGEST
COWARD
EVER.

BUT NOW
THAT WE'RE
TRAPPED
IN THIS
STRANGE
STONE
WORLD...

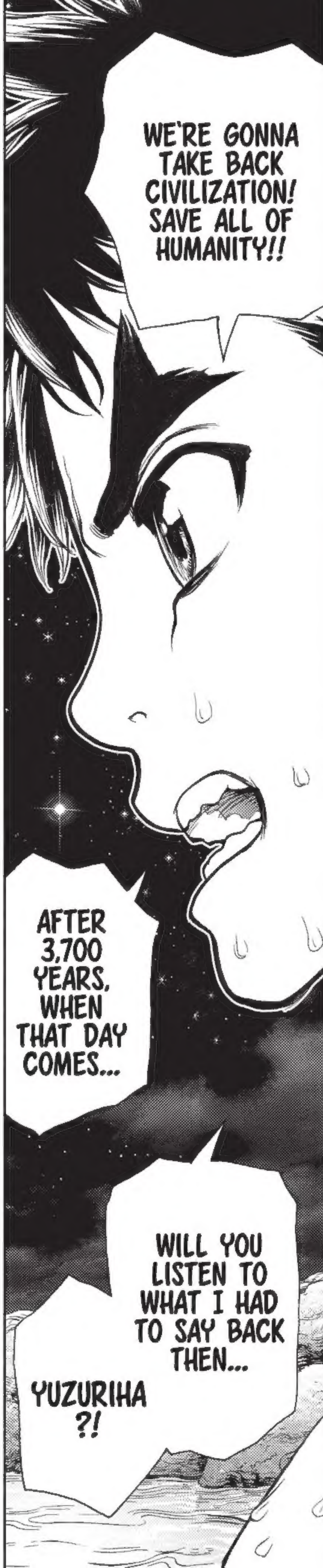


YES.

OF COURSE.

WE'LL TAKE THIS WORLD BACK.

FOR SURE!



WE'RE GONNA TAKE BACK CIVILIZATION! SAVE ALL OF HUMANITY!!

AFTER 3,700 YEARS, WHEN THAT DAY COMES...

WILL YOU LISTEN TO WHAT I HAD TO SAY BACK THEN...

YUZURIHA ?!



...YOU'VE PROBABLY GOT NO CLUE WHAT I'M TALKING ABOUT...

GAH! SINCE YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT I WAS GONNA SAY...



IT'S OKAY.

I GET IT.



Z=8: Raise the Smoke Signal



"THE
STRONGEST
PRIMATE
HIGH
SCHOOLER"
...

TSUKASA
SHISHIO.



OKAY!

ANYWAY!
HERE'S WHAT
HAPPENED,
YUZURIHA!!

...SENKU
AND I
CAME BACK
TO LIFE.
ONLY US,
THOUGH.

THOUSANDS
OF YEARS
AFTER
EVERYONE
TURNED TO
STONE...

AND THE
FIRST
PERSON
WE
BROUGHT
BACK
WAS...

...YOU
GUYS
MADE
THE
REVIVAL
FLUID?

WHOOAAA!
SO STARTING
OUT WITH
NOTHING
AT ALL...

I
DIDN'T
DO
SQUAT!!

SENKU
DID,
YEAH!



BUT THEN
TSUKASA...

...STARTED
SMASHING
STONE
PEOPLE,
WHICH IS
BASICALLY
KILLING 'EM.

THAT'S WHY
WE'VE GOTTA
FIGHT HIM
NOW AND PUT
A STOP TO
THAT!!



SENKU'S
KITCHEN

IT'S
NOW TIME
FOR OUR
GUNPOWDER
COOKING
CLASS!



BAM

NOW WE
SIMPLY
HAVE TO
COMBINE
THEM.

HEH HEH
HEH... WHICH
IS WHY
WE'VE COME
ALL THIS
WAY.

WE FINALLY
HAVE THE
THREE
INGREDIENTS
FOR
GUNPOWDER!



INGREDIENT
NO.2...
CHARCOAL!

NO SHORTAGE
OF THIS ONE.
WE JUST HAVE
TO BURN SOME
WOOD FROM
TREES.

THE
ENDLESS
STOCK OF
SULFUR FROM
THE HOT
SPRINGS.

GUNPOWDER
INGREDIENT
NO.1!



HEH HEH
HEH... WHICH
IS WHY I'VE
TAKEN THE
LIBERTY...

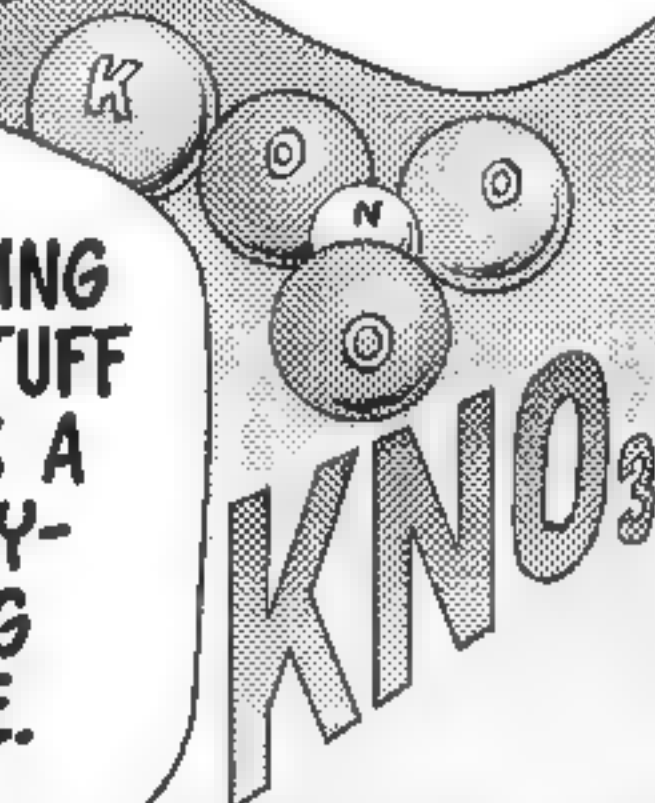
...OF
PREPARING
SOME
POTASSIUM
NITRATE IN
ANTICIPATION
OF TODAY!

W
H
O
A
A
A!
W
I
N
K

**POTASSIUM
NITRATE.**

NUMBER
3! THE
LAST AND
HARDEST
TO
OBTAIN...

CREATING
THIS STUFF
TAKES A
CRAZY-
LONG
TIME.



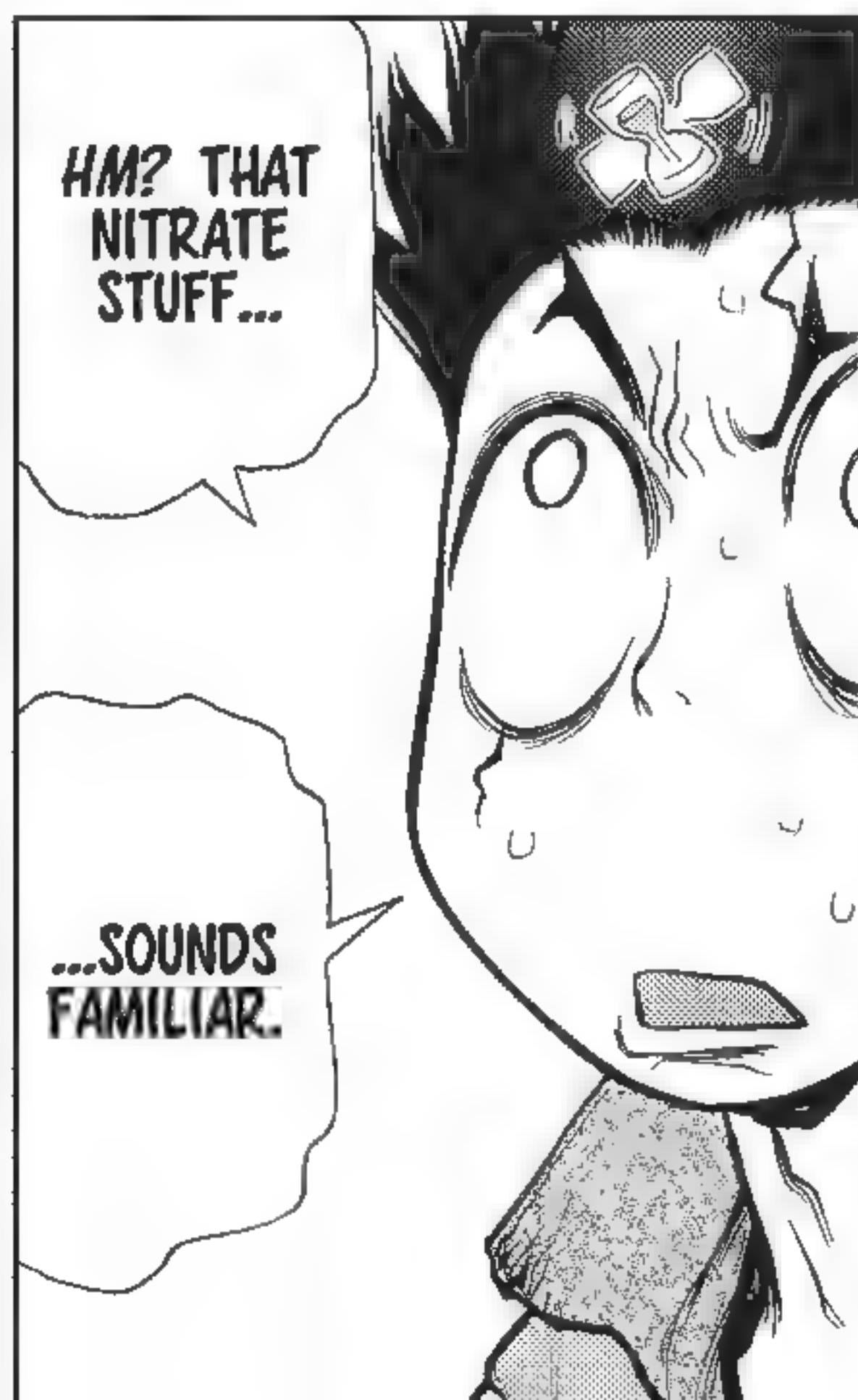
THAT
UNDERCOOKED
BRAIN OF YOURS
IS RARELY SO
QUICK. ONE
HUNDRED
BILLION
POINTS FOR
YOU!

**NITRIC
ACID
IS THE
MIRACLE
FLUID!**

**YOU GOT
IT FROM
THAT
CAVE!!**

HM? THAT
NITRATE
STUFF...

...SOUNDS
FAMILIAR.





FINISH THE
RECIPE
OFF BY
SMASHING
IT...

...TO
HARDEN
IT UP!

THIS IS ALL
REAL SCIENCE.
YOU'D REALLY
END UP
MAKING A
BOMB, SO
DON'T TRY
THIS AT
HOME, KIDS!

ADD
75% POTASSIUM
NITRATE TO 10%
SULFUR AND 15%
CHARCOAL, THOUGH
IT DOESN'T NEED TO
BE THAT EXACT.

FOR SUBTLE
SEASONING, WE'LL
USE A TINY
BIT OF SUGAR
THAT'LL GIVE IT
MORE OOMPH.

Glucose
from
grapes



SMASH
IT?!

LEAVE
THE
HEAVY
LIFTING
TO ME!!



OHH,
YOU'RE
RIGHT!

HUH?
REALLY?

...A SPARK
COULD MAKE IT
GO BOOM, LIKE
WITH FLINT...

S-S-SEEMS LIKE
A BAD IDEA!!
IF YOU SMASH
IT WITH YOUR
STRENGTH...

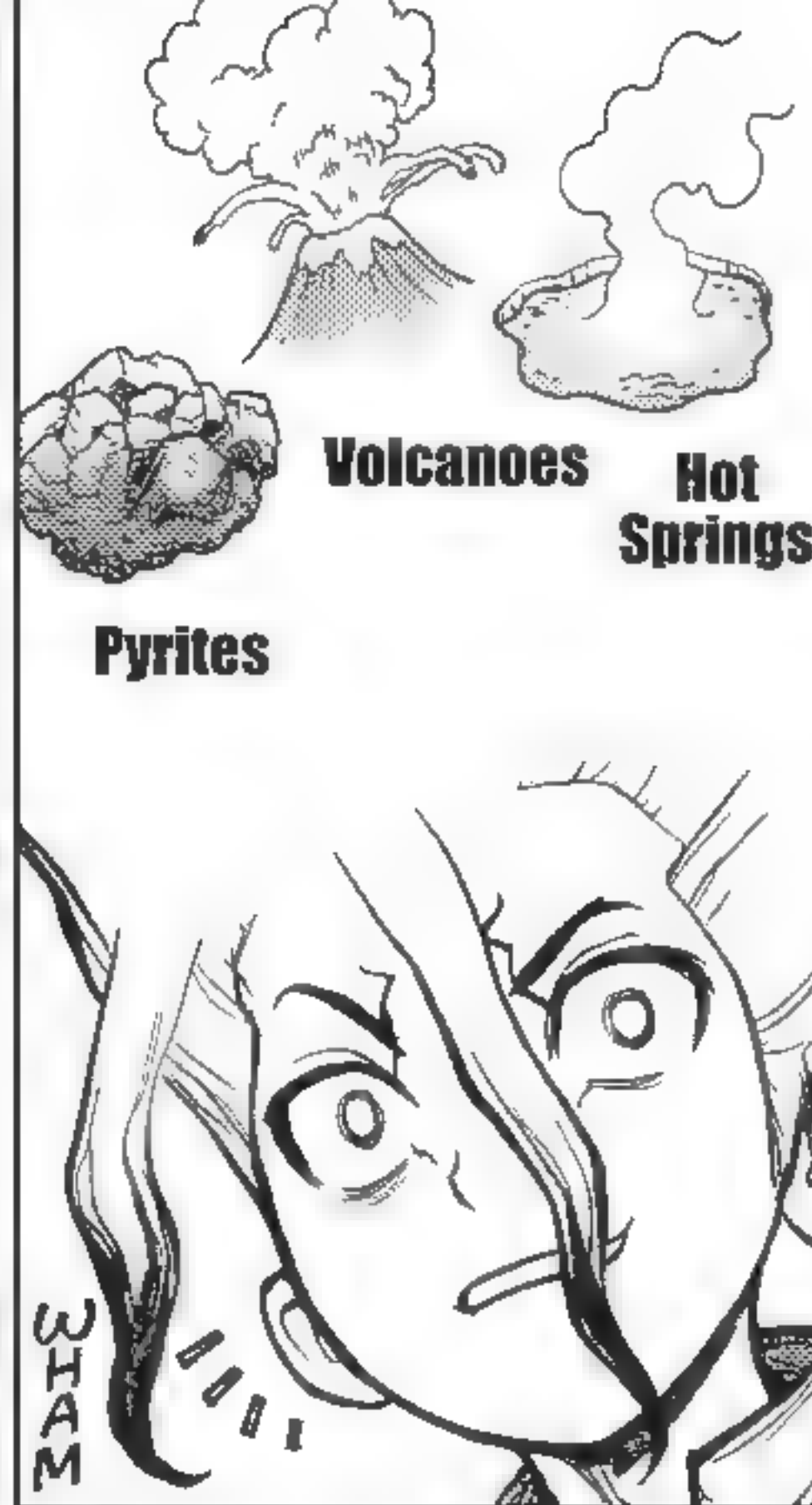
NAH. SPARKS
CAN'T BE
PRODUCED
FROM STRIKING
ROCK AGAINST
ROCK.



IRON PYRITES

+ Taiju's unreal strength

WAIT...



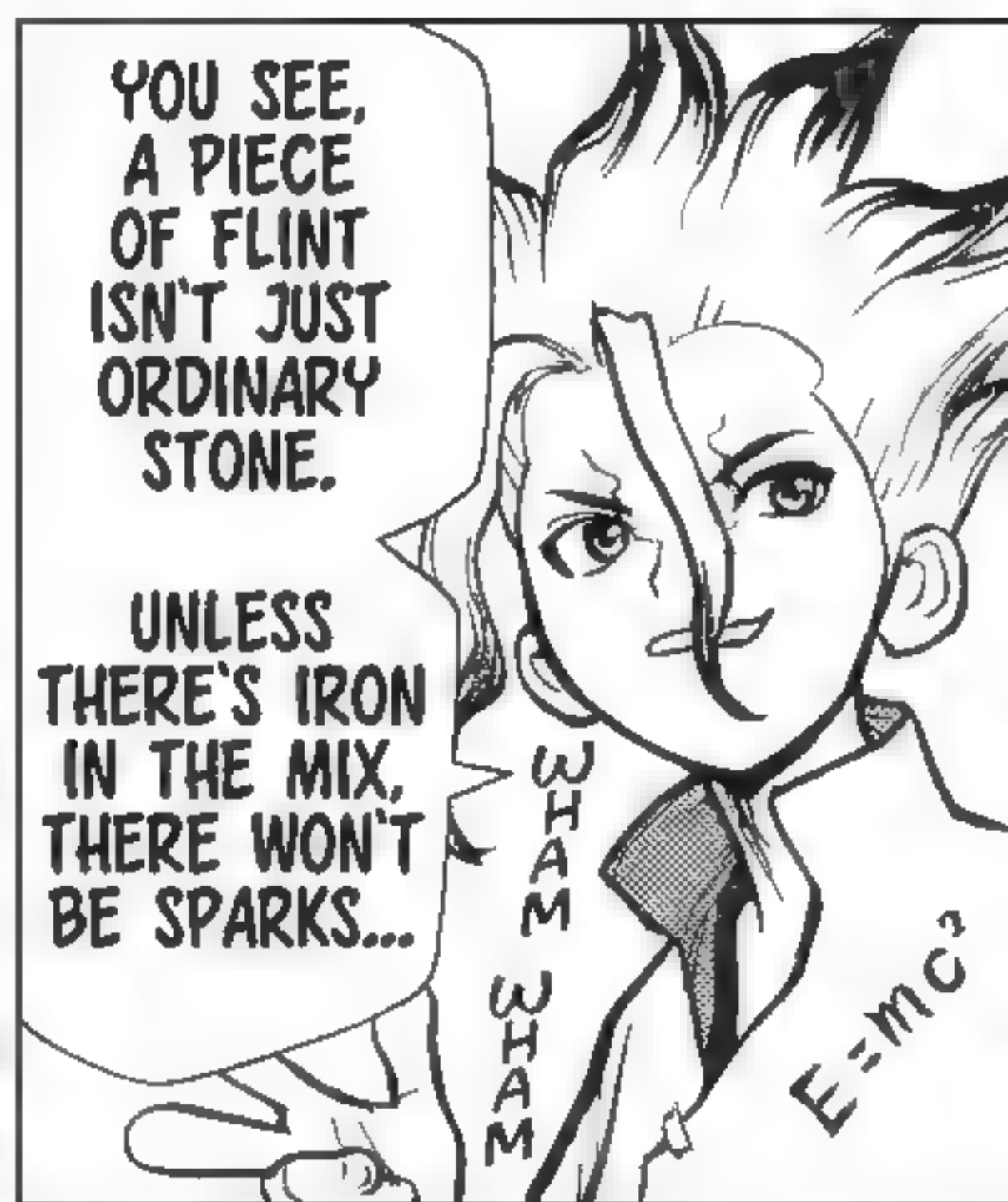
Pyrites

Volcanoes

Hot Springs

WHAAM

!!!



YOU SEE, A PIECE OF FLINT ISN'T JUST ORDINARY STONE.

UNLESS THERE'S IRON IN THE MIX, THERE WON'T BE SPARKS...

WHAAM

$E=mc^2$



SIZZLE





KABOOM

Women

Men



I HAD
NO CLUE
GUNPOWDER
WAS THAT
POWERFUL
....!!

OUR
GUNPOWDER
COOKING
WAS A
TOTAL
SUCCESS!

HEH
HEH
HEH...
NOT A
PROBLEM.

RR
MM
BBB



SAME
HERE!

HA HA. I WAS
THINKING IT'D
BE MORE
LIKE THAT.

Okay. I
lose.

I'll stop
breaking
stone
people.

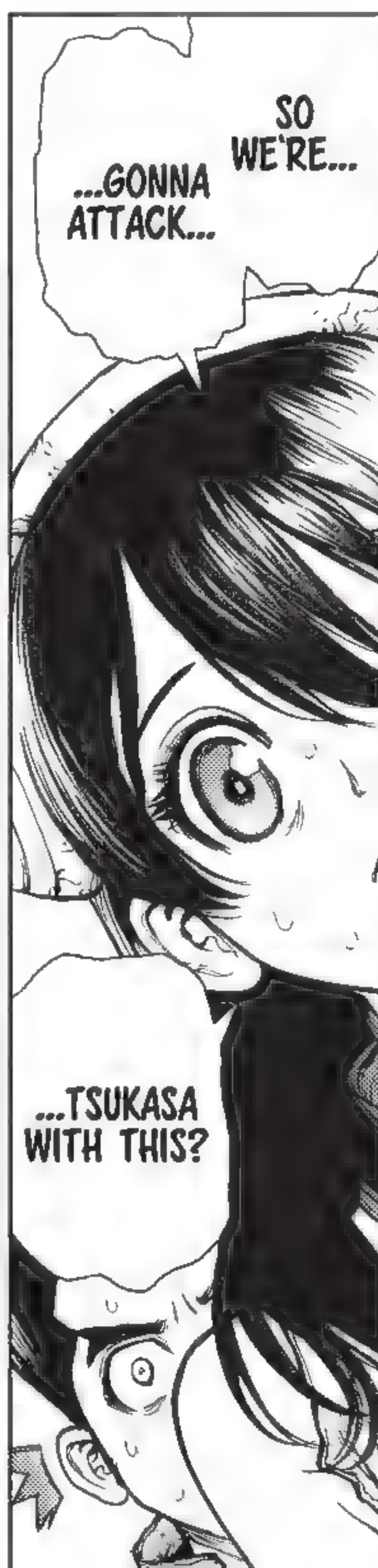
KOH



...

NO.

WE'LL
MAKE A
DEAL.



SO
WE'RE...
...GONNA
ATTACK...

...TSUKASA
WITH THIS?

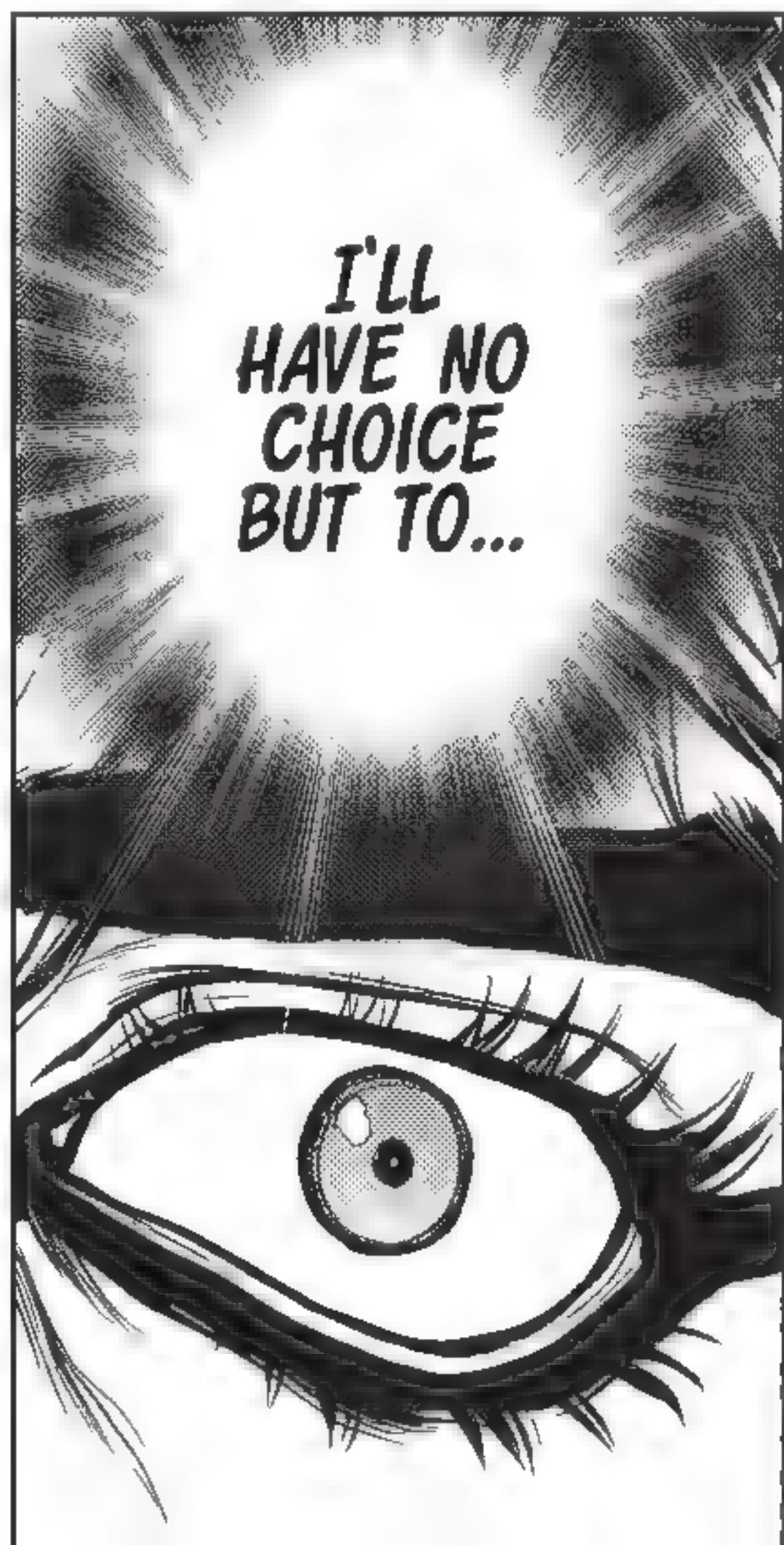
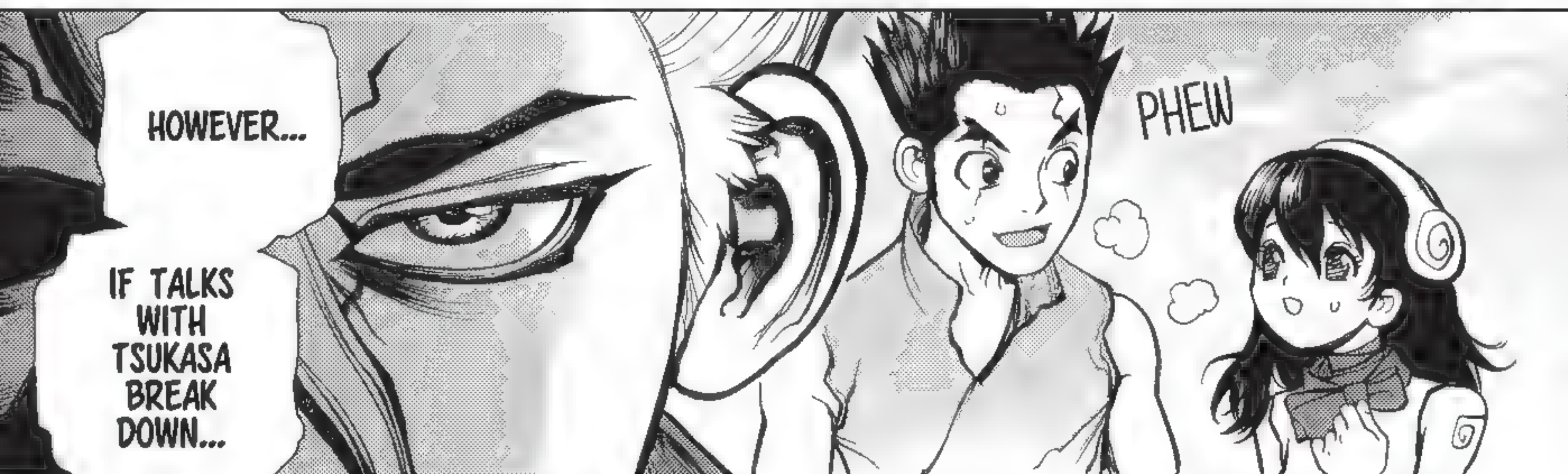
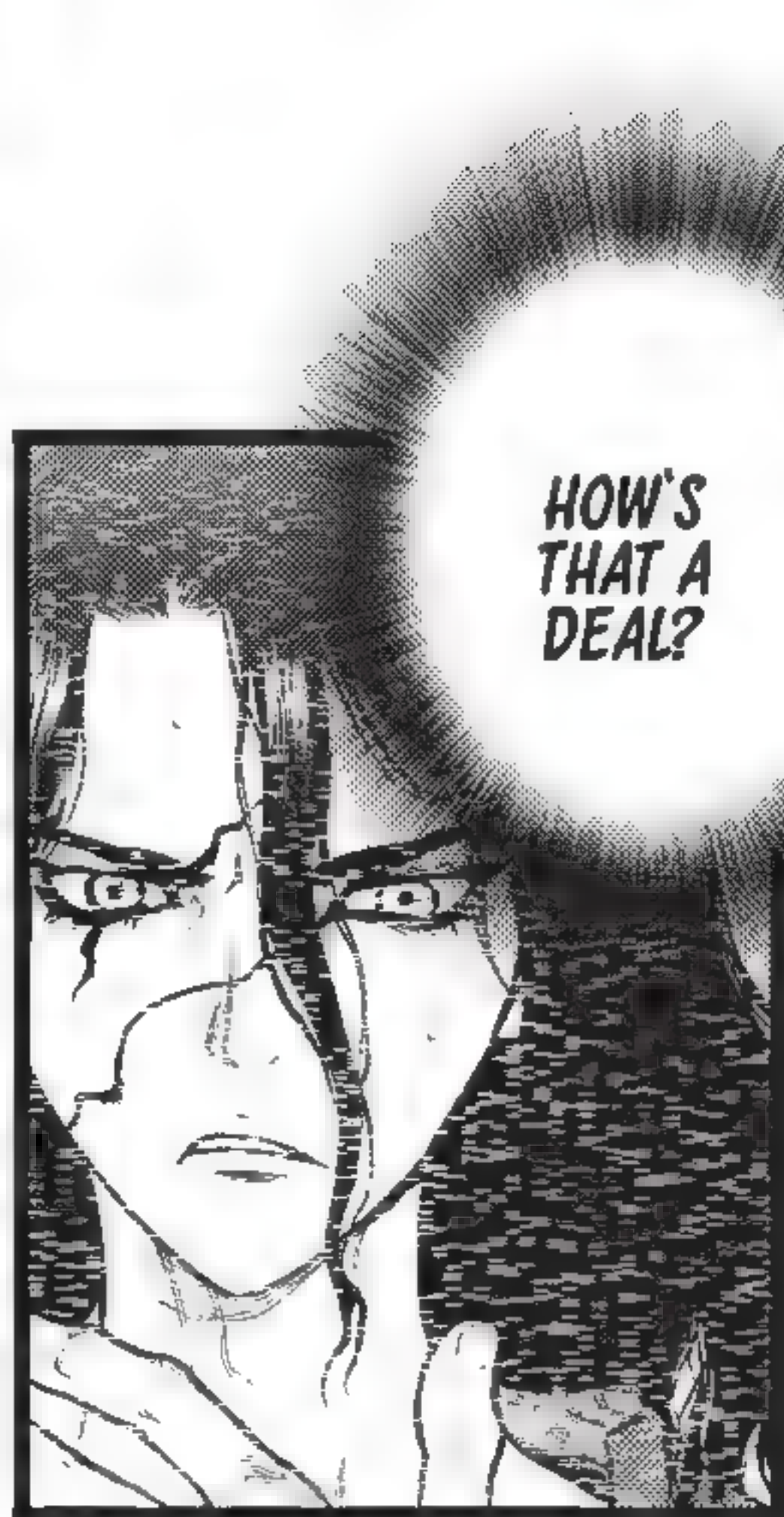


KIDS HAVE HAD
EXPERIMENTS
WITH THIS
STUFF GO
WRONG SINCE
FOREVER.

IT'S NOT
UNCOMMON FOR
SOMEONE TO
LOSE AN ARM
OR LEG LIKE
THAT.

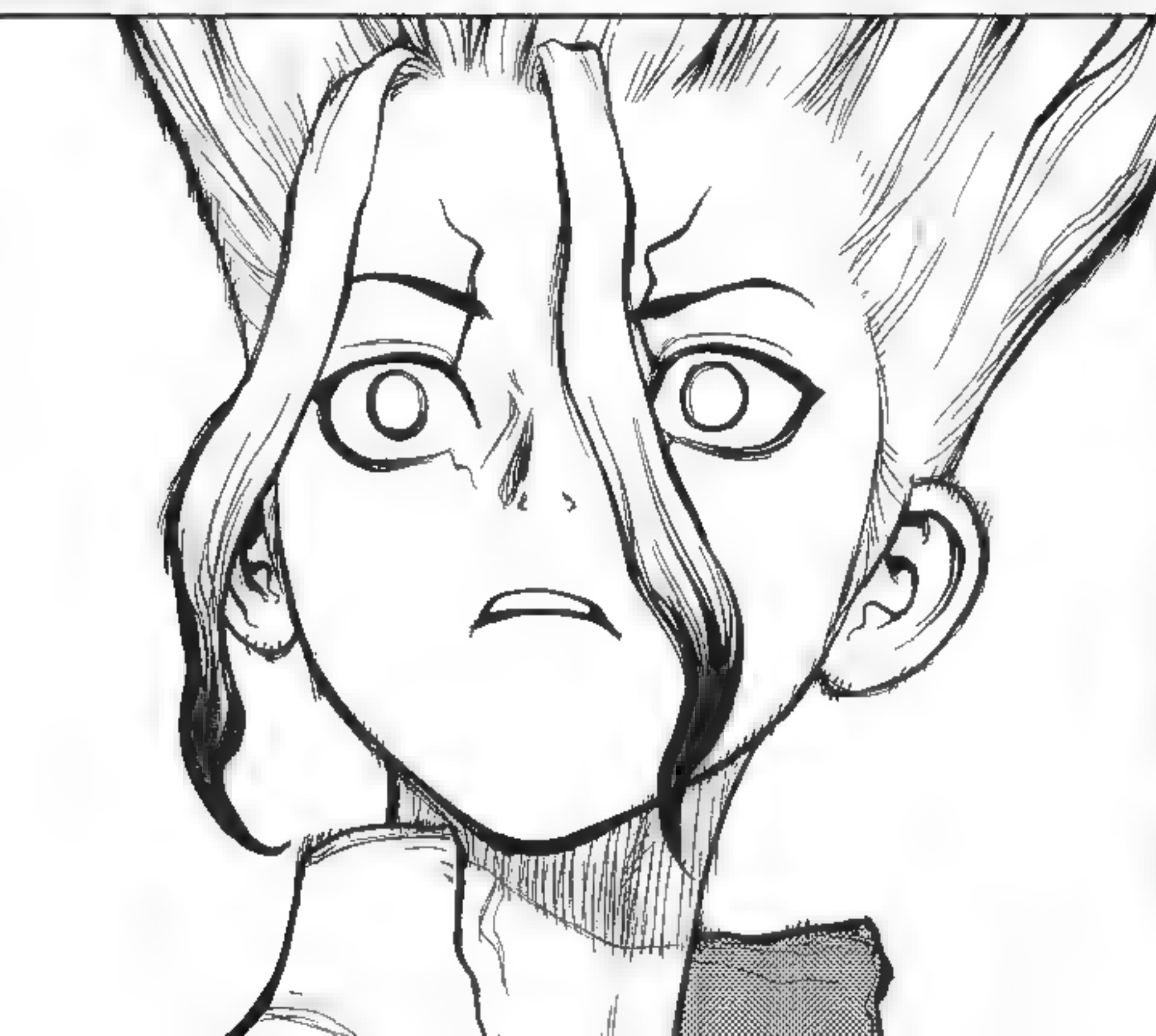
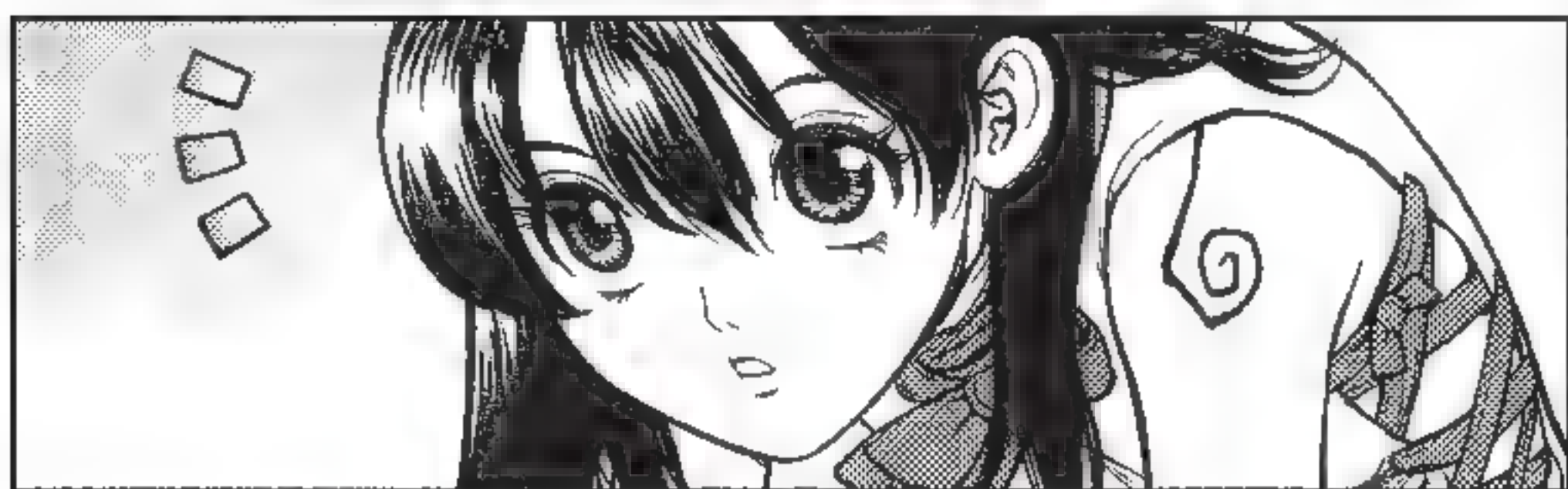
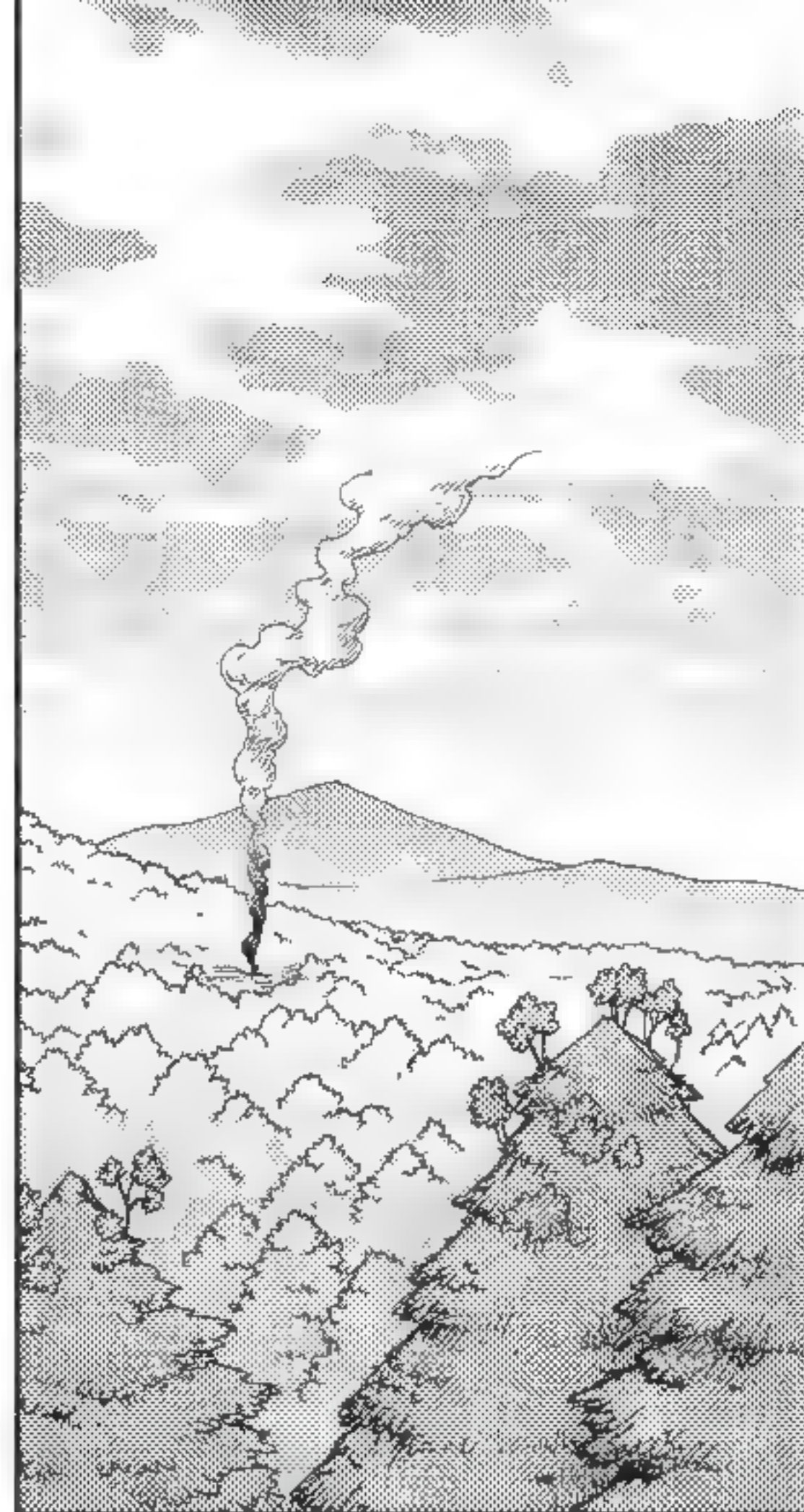
EEEK!

IT COULD
EASILY BE A
LETHAL WEAPON
IF WE WANTED
TO USE IT
THAT WAY.





KILL.



YES!

IS IT
TSUKASA
??

NO.
WRONG
DIREC-
TION.

AND
TSUKASA WOULD
NEVER ALERT US
TO HIS POSITION
INTENTIONALLY.

THE
TIMING'S
TOO
COINCI-
DENTAL.

WHAT,
THEN?!

IT'S
CLEARLY A
REACTION
TO THE
SMOKE WE
SENT UP.

A
FOREST
FIRE?!

SO...

**GET
EXCITED!**

**A SMOKE
SIGNAL!**



THEY'RE PROBABLY
THINKING, MAYBE
THAT SMOKE WAS
JUST FROM A
VOLCANO?

BEFORE
RUNNING
OFF, THEY'RE
TRYING THEIR
OWN SIGNAL
JUST TO BE
SURE!

IF
TSUKASA
IS ON HIS
WAY...

IT'S
NOTHING
MORE
THAN AN
INVITATION
TO COME
GET US.

HEH HEH
HEH... THAT
IRRATIONAL
THING
WE CALL
INSTINCT IS
SCREAMING
WITHIN ME.

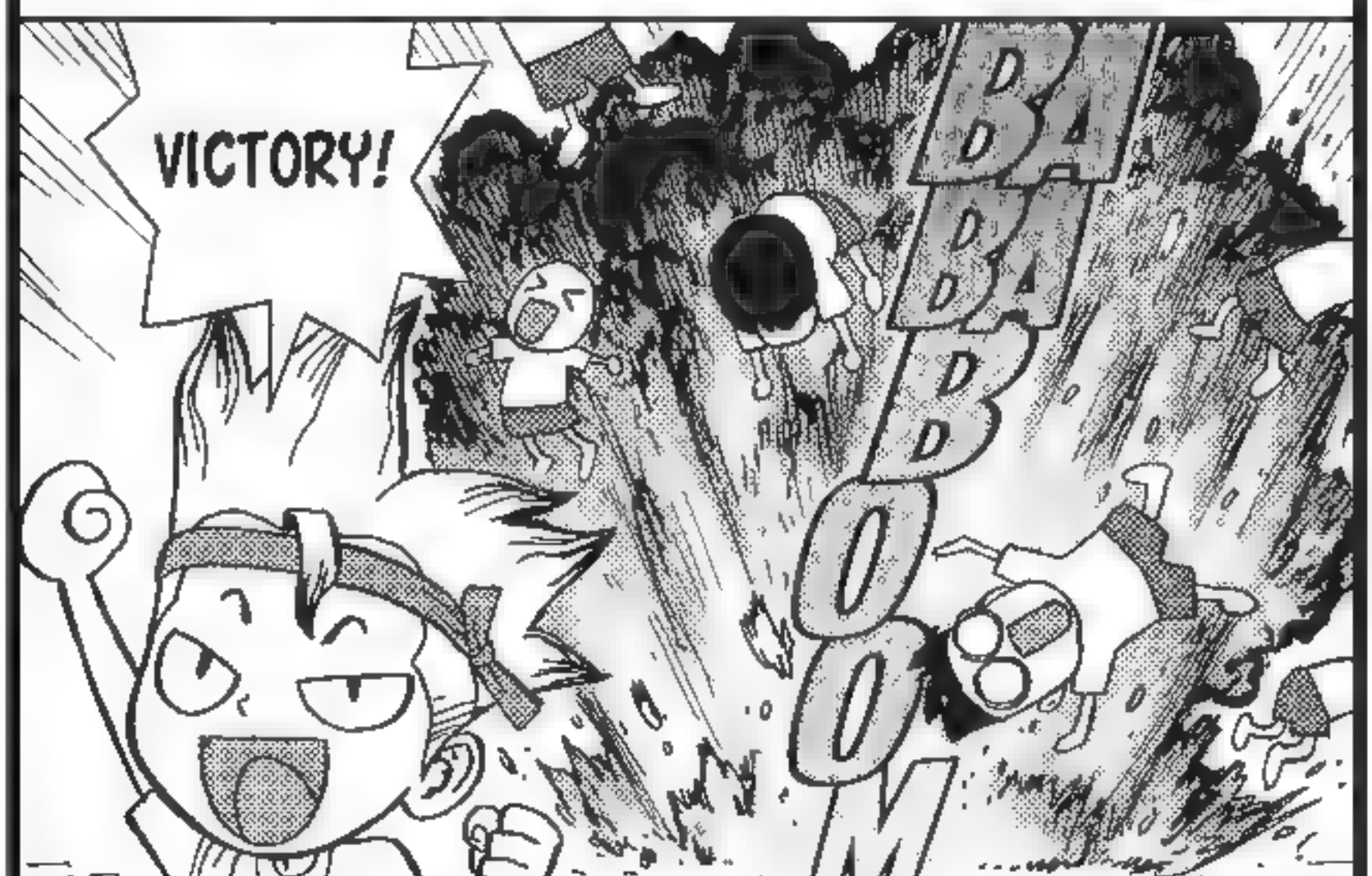
IF I
LIGHT
OUR FIRE
AGAIN,
THEN...

...THERE
ARE
PEOPLE
BESIDES
US!

IN THIS
STONE
WORLD...



Senku's Early Days



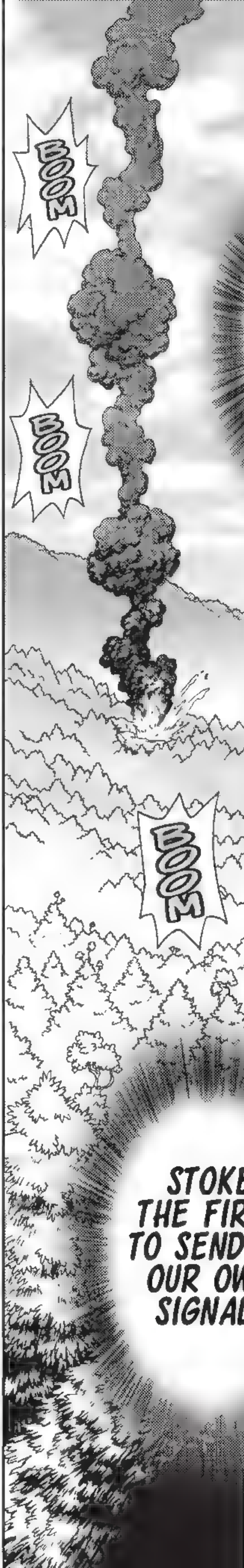


Z=9: Senku vs. Tsukasa



**THE
GUNPOWDER'S
RUNNING
OUT, SO TOSS
ANYTHING
THAT'LL BURN
IN THERE!**

**JUST
GIVE US A
MINUTE TO
GET MORE
WOOD!!**



**STOKE
THE FIRES
TO SEND UP
OUR OWN
SIGNAL!**

**WE
THOUGHT
EVERYONE
ON EARTH
WAS
PETRIFIED...**

**...BUT
THERE'S
SOMEONE
ELSE OUT
THERE!**



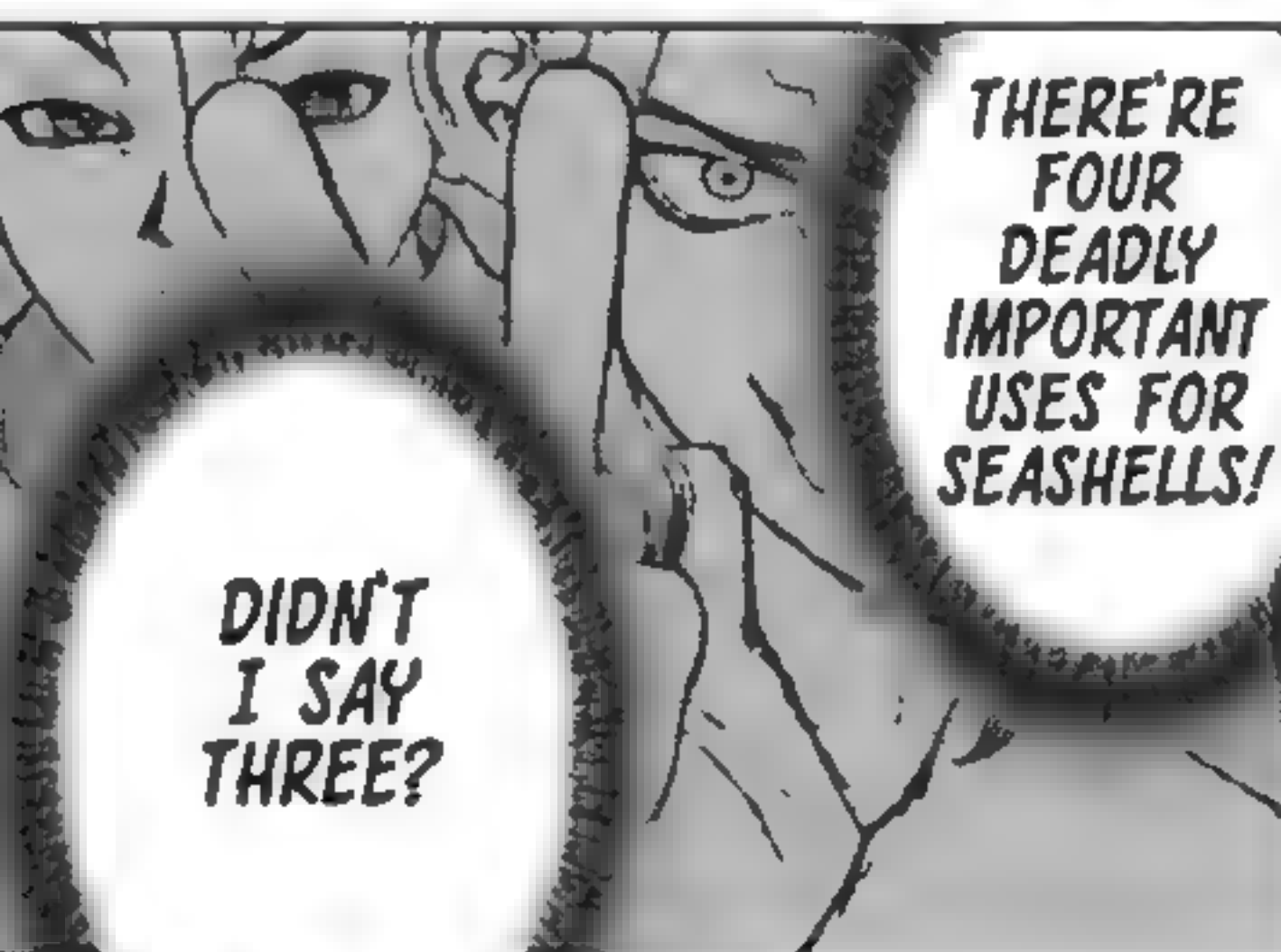
IF BY
CHANCE
TSUKASA'S
FIGURED OUT
MY PLAN
TO MAKE
GUNPOWDER...

THIS
SMOKE
SIGNAL'S
A DOUBLE-
EDGED
SWORD.

IT'LL ALERT
ANYONE WHO'S
NEARBY TO
OUR LOCATION.



SENKU'S
TRYING
TO MAKE
GUNPOWDER!



DIDN'T
I SAY
THREE?

THERE'RE
FOUR
DEADLY
IMPORTANT
USES FOR
SEASHELLS!




I KNEW
BECAUSE
OF THOSE
SEASHELLS.



WHICH
MEANS...

SENKU WAS
WARY OF
THE THREAT
I POSED,
SO HE
HELD BACK.

IN THAT
MOMENT...



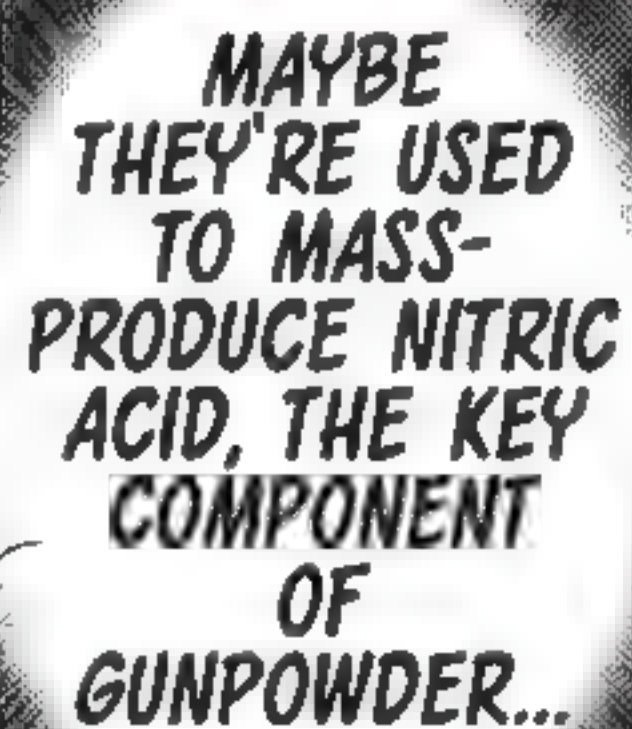
OF COURSE,
EVEN FROM
THAT EARLY
ON...



...IS SOME
KIND OF
SCIENCE-
BASED
WEAPON!



THE
FOURTH
USE FOR
SEASHELLS...



MAYBE
THEY'RE USED
TO MASS-
PRODUCE NITRIC
ACID, THE KEY
COMPONENT
OF
GUNPOWDER...



I CAN
VENTURE
A GUESS.



...SENKU
FORESAW
A FUTURE
WHERE
HE'D NEED
GUNPOWDER
...



...TO
OPPOSE
ME!



BOOM



BOOM

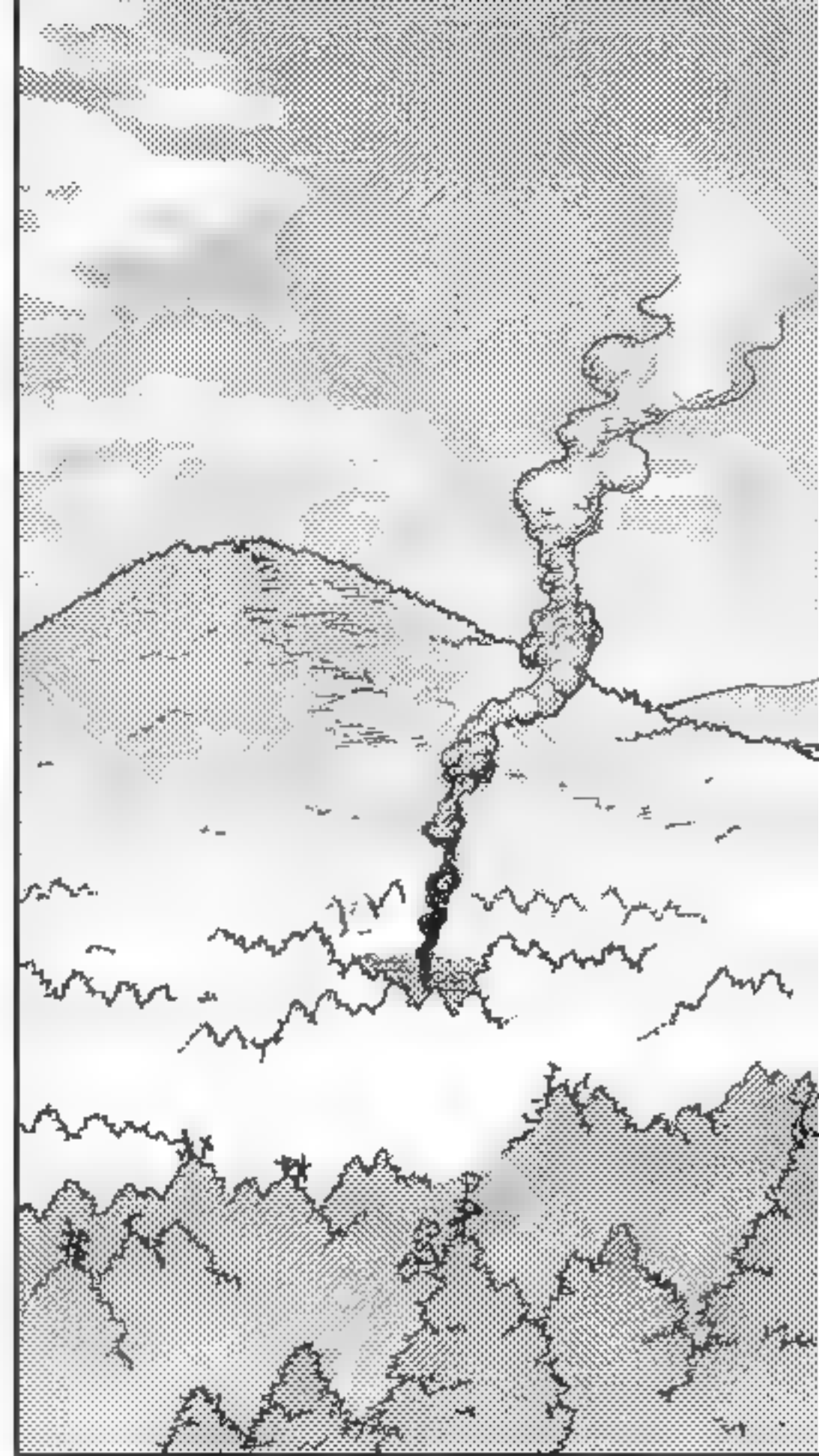
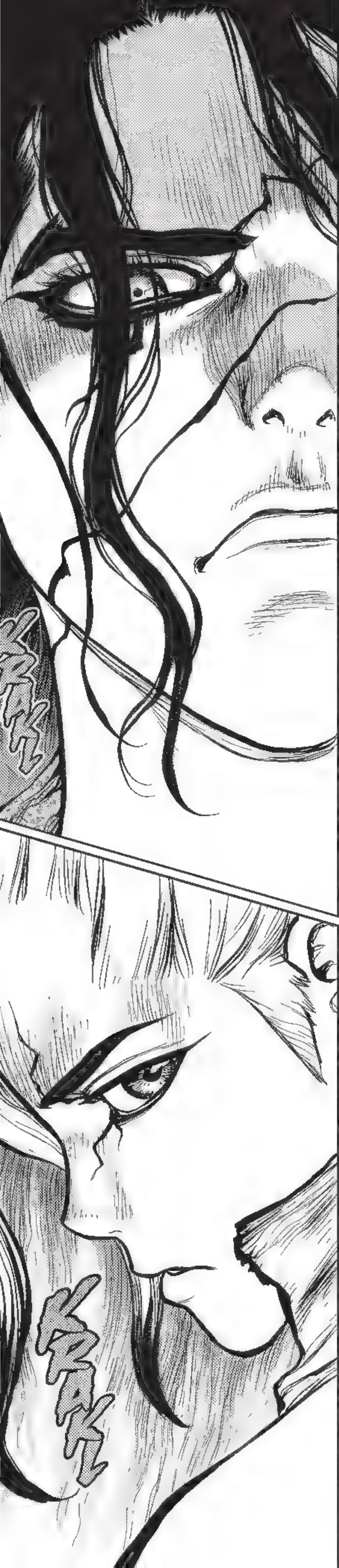


BOOM



!







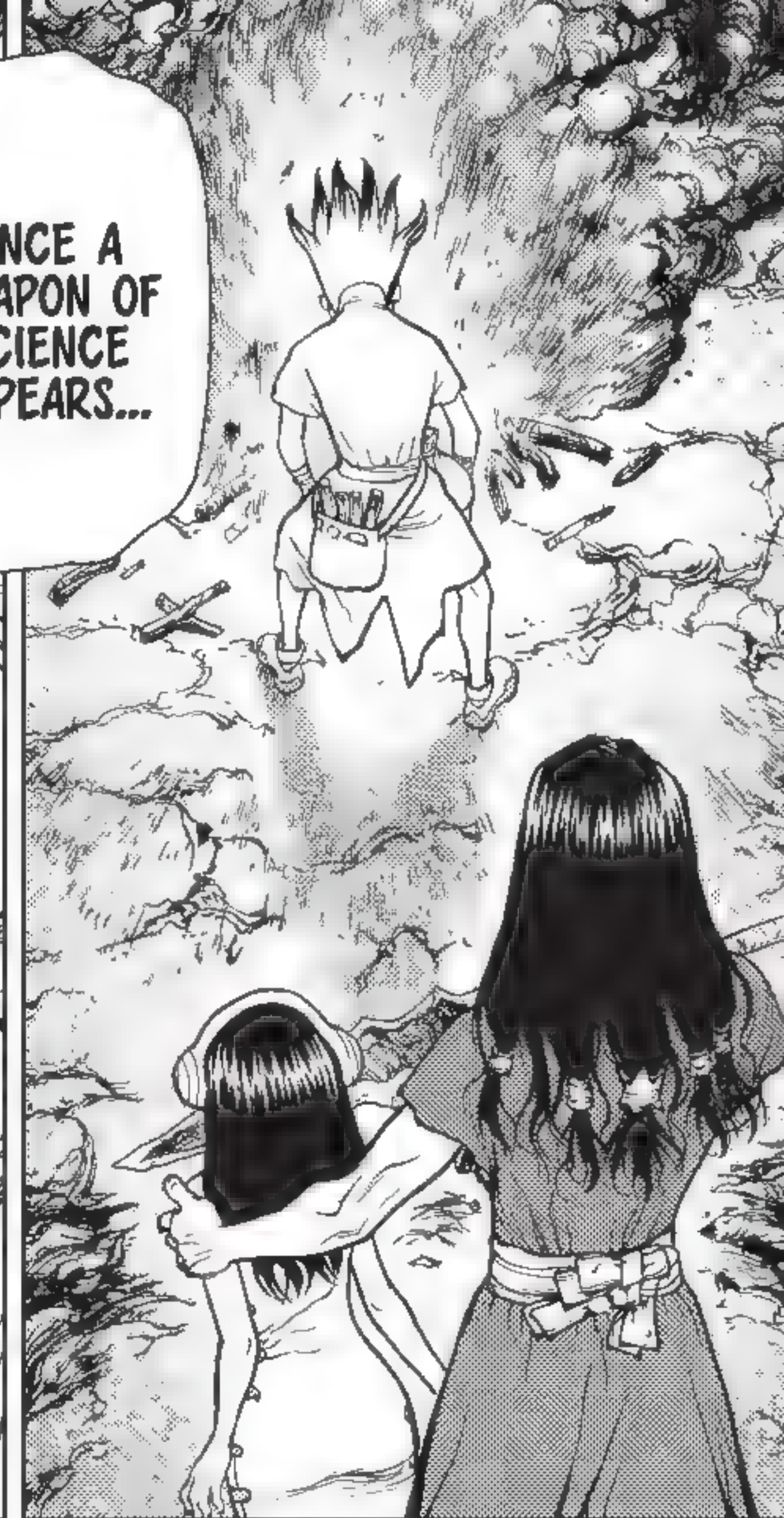
SURE.



ONCE A WEAPON OF SCIENCE APPEARS...

...TSUKASA.

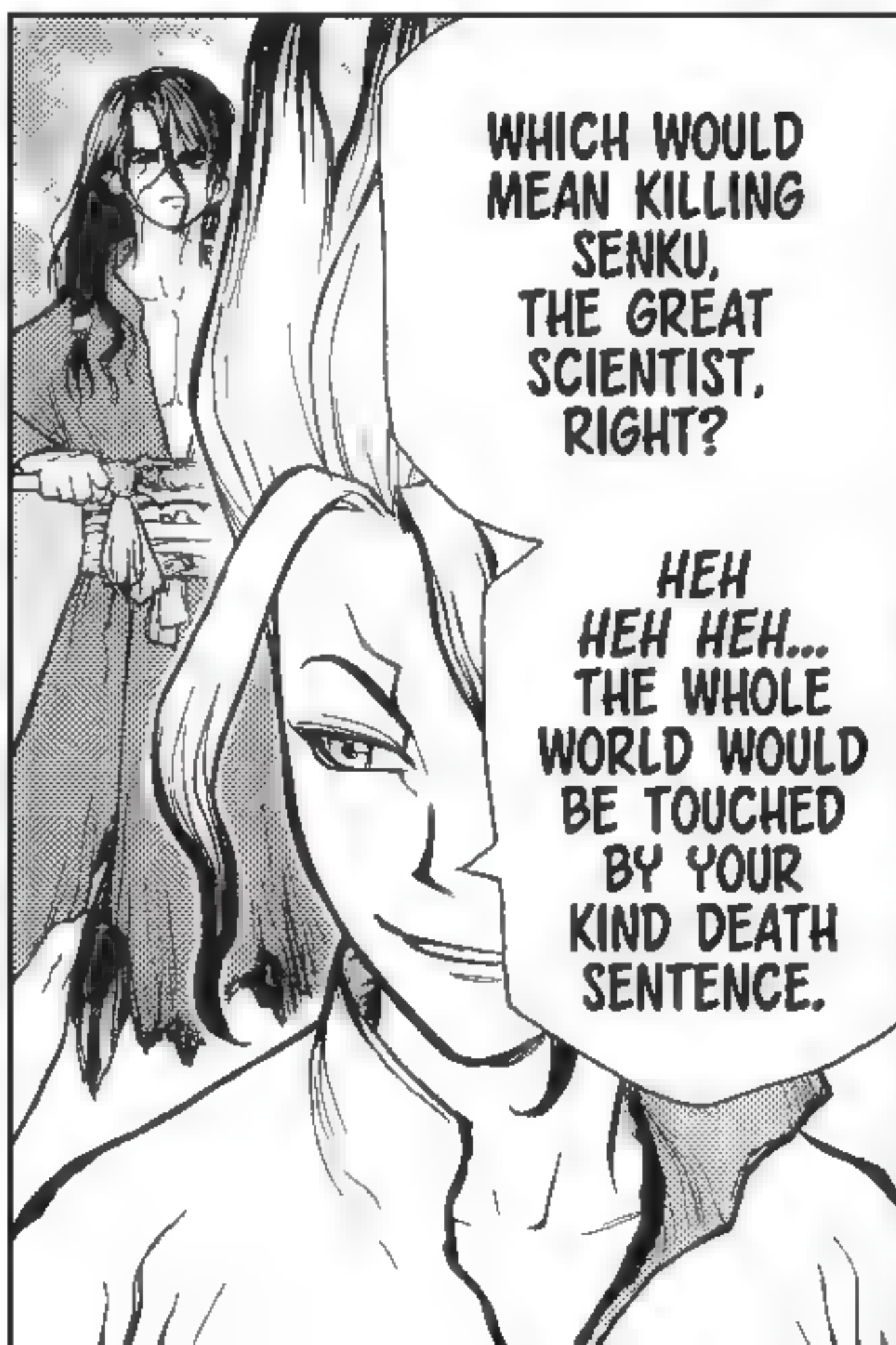
IT LOOKS LIKE YOU'RE JUST THROWING A TANTRUM HERE...



PEOPLE WILL FIGHT OUT OF SELF-INTEREST...

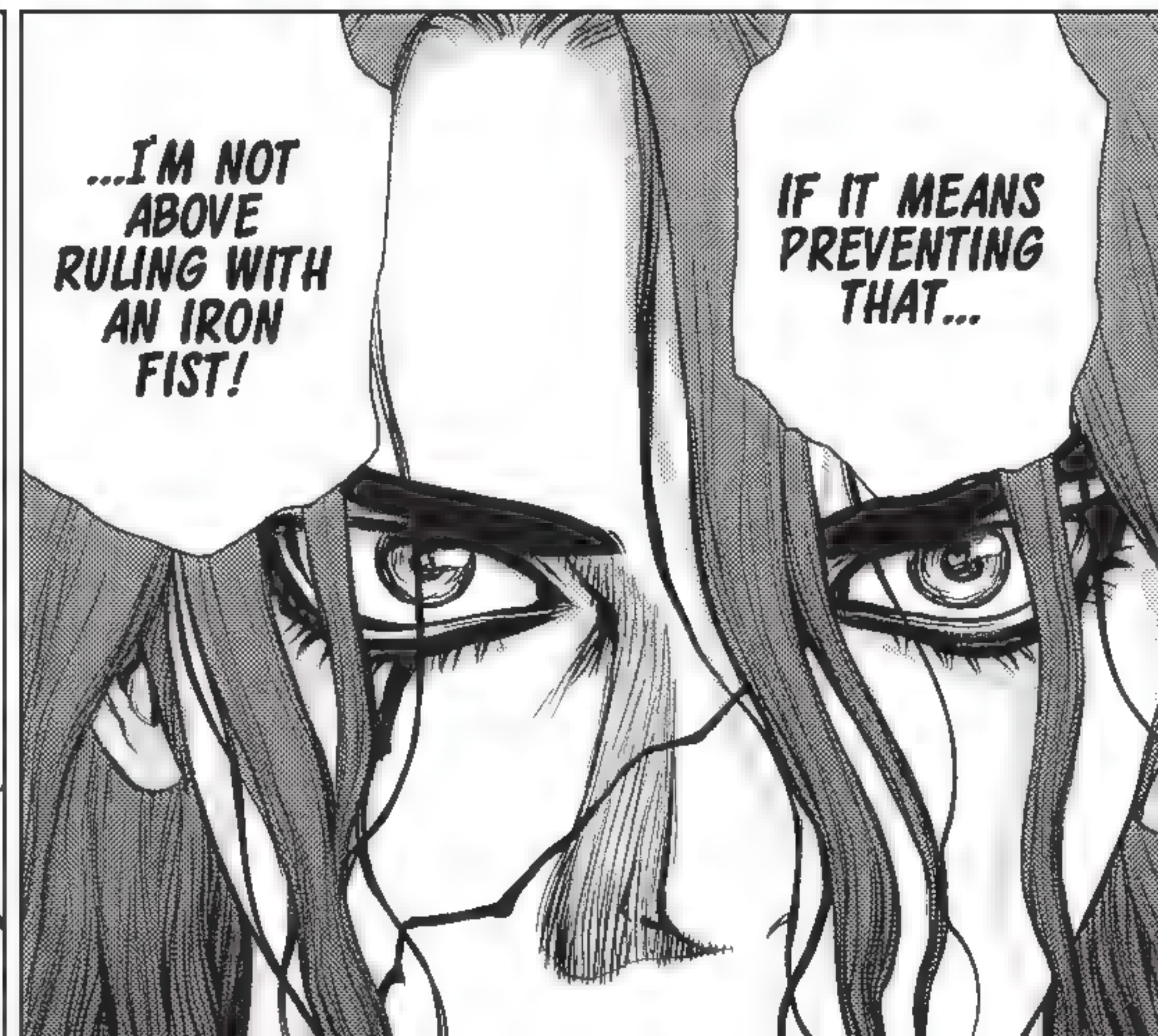
...YOU'LL BRING US BACK TO DARKER TIMES.

IF YOU SUCCEED IN MAKING YOUR WEAPONS...



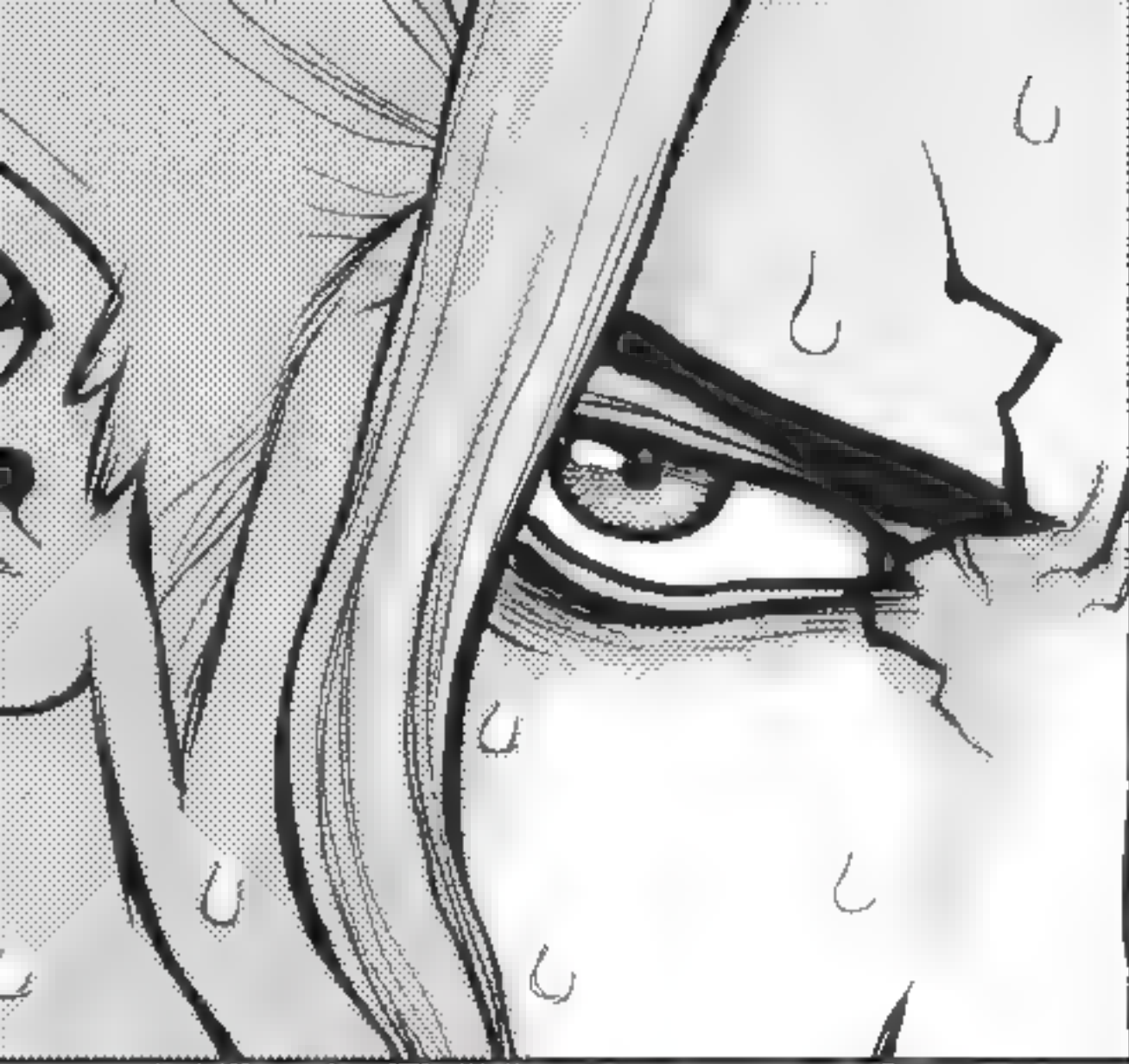
WHICH WOULD MEAN KILLING SENKU, THE GREAT SCIENTIST, RIGHT?

HEH HEH HEH... THE WHOLE WORLD WOULD BE TOUCHED BY YOUR KIND DEATH SENTENCE.



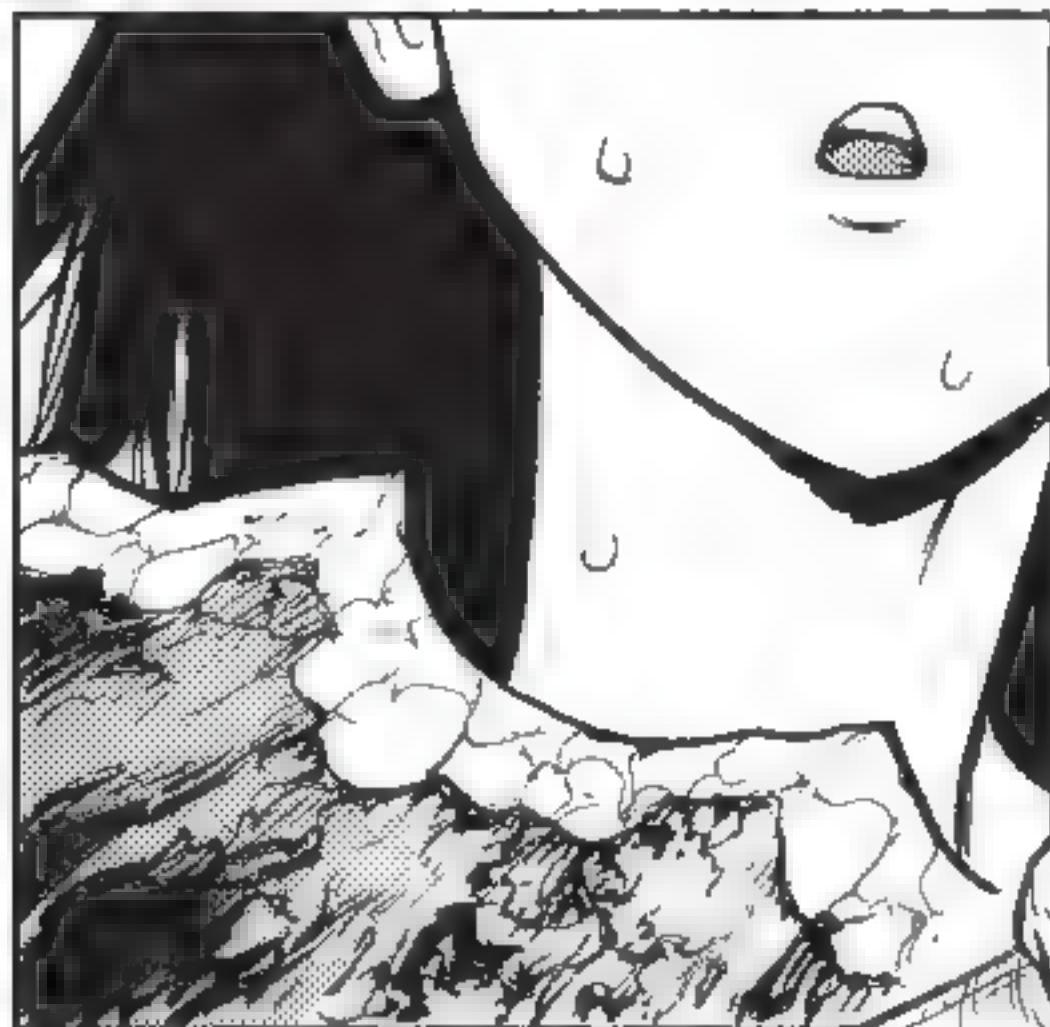
...I'M NOT ABOVE RULING WITH AN IRON FIST!

IF IT MEANS PREVENTING THAT...



...HOW ABOUT YOU TELL ME THE REVIVAL-FLUID RECIPE?

RIGHT, BUT BEFORE THAT...



THE ONLY WAY I KNOW HOW TO THINK IS LOGICALLY.



SORRY, BUT I AIN'T AS SWEET AND CARING A GUY AS YOU.



I COULDN'T CARE EVEN ONE MILLIMETER ABOUT THAT GIRL.

PLENTY OF OTHER WOMEN OUT THERE.



...SO THAT
I COULDN'T
TAKE HER
HOSTAGE.

IT'S A SIMPLE
ENOUGH PLAN
FOR ME TO
IMAGINE, SO
THERE'S NO
WAY IT DIDN'T
CROSS YOUR
MIND.



YOUR
OPTIMAL
STRATEGY
WOULD'VE
BEEN TO
TAKE THE
PETRIFIED
YUZURIHA...

...AND
BURY HER
SOMEWHERE
FAR AWAY...

...YOU
DIDN'T
BURY
YUZURIHA.

YOUR
TACTICS
ARE
USELESS,
SENKU.

HOW DO
I KNOW?
BECAUSE...

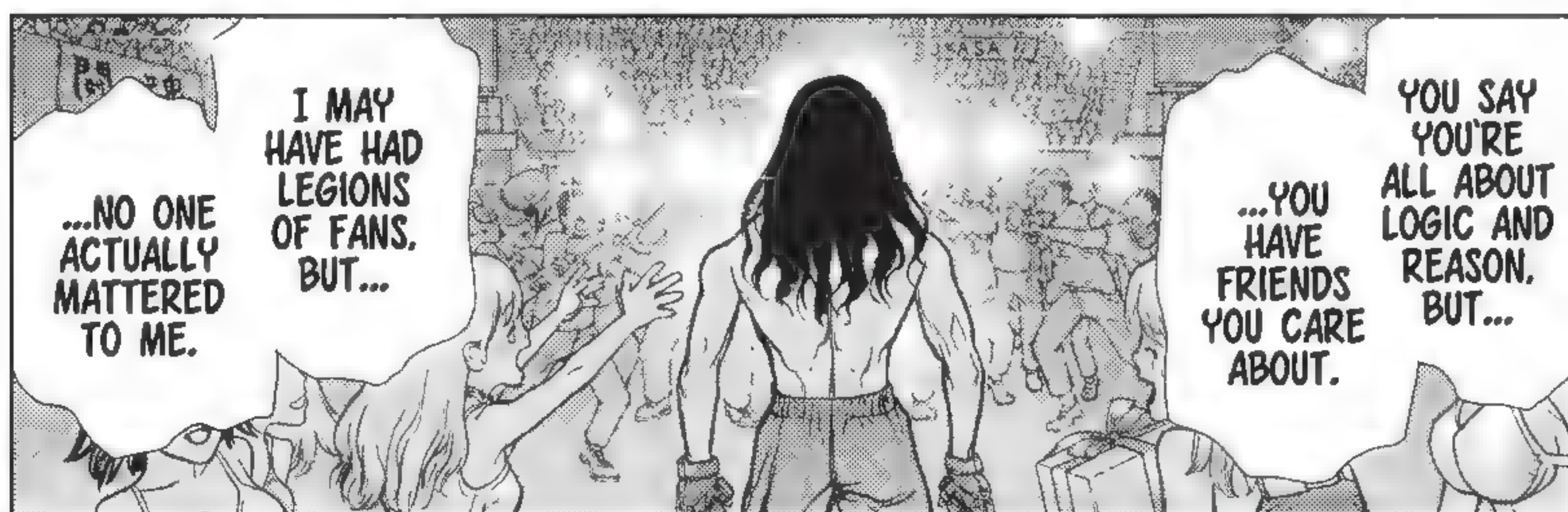




NO. FOR BOTH OF THEM, MOST LIKELY.

FOR EITHER TAIJU'S SAKE OR YUZURIHA'S ...

BUT THAT'S NOT WHAT YOU DID.

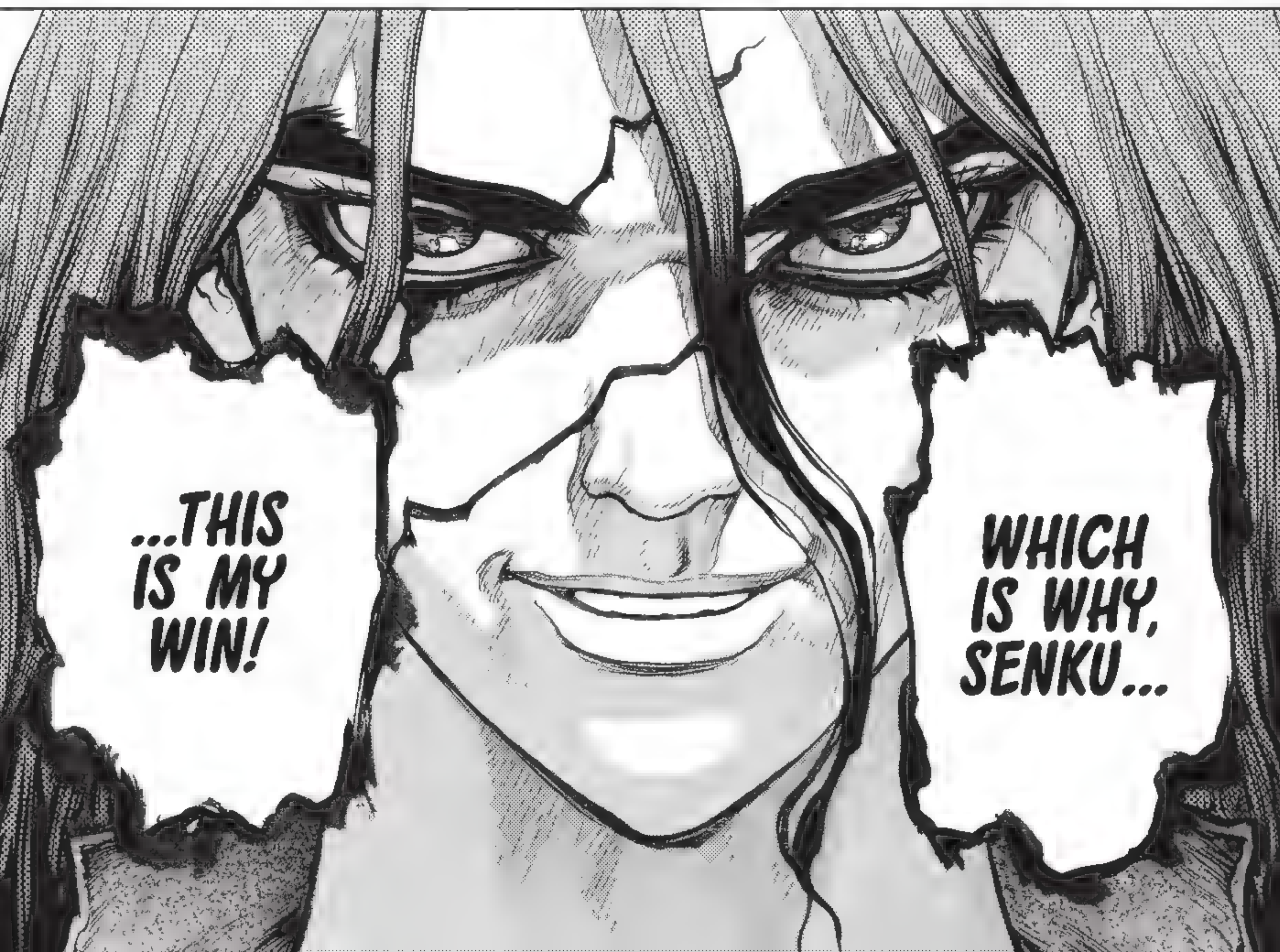


...NO ONE ACTUALLY MATTERED TO ME.

I MAY HAVE HAD LEGIONS OF FANS, BUT...

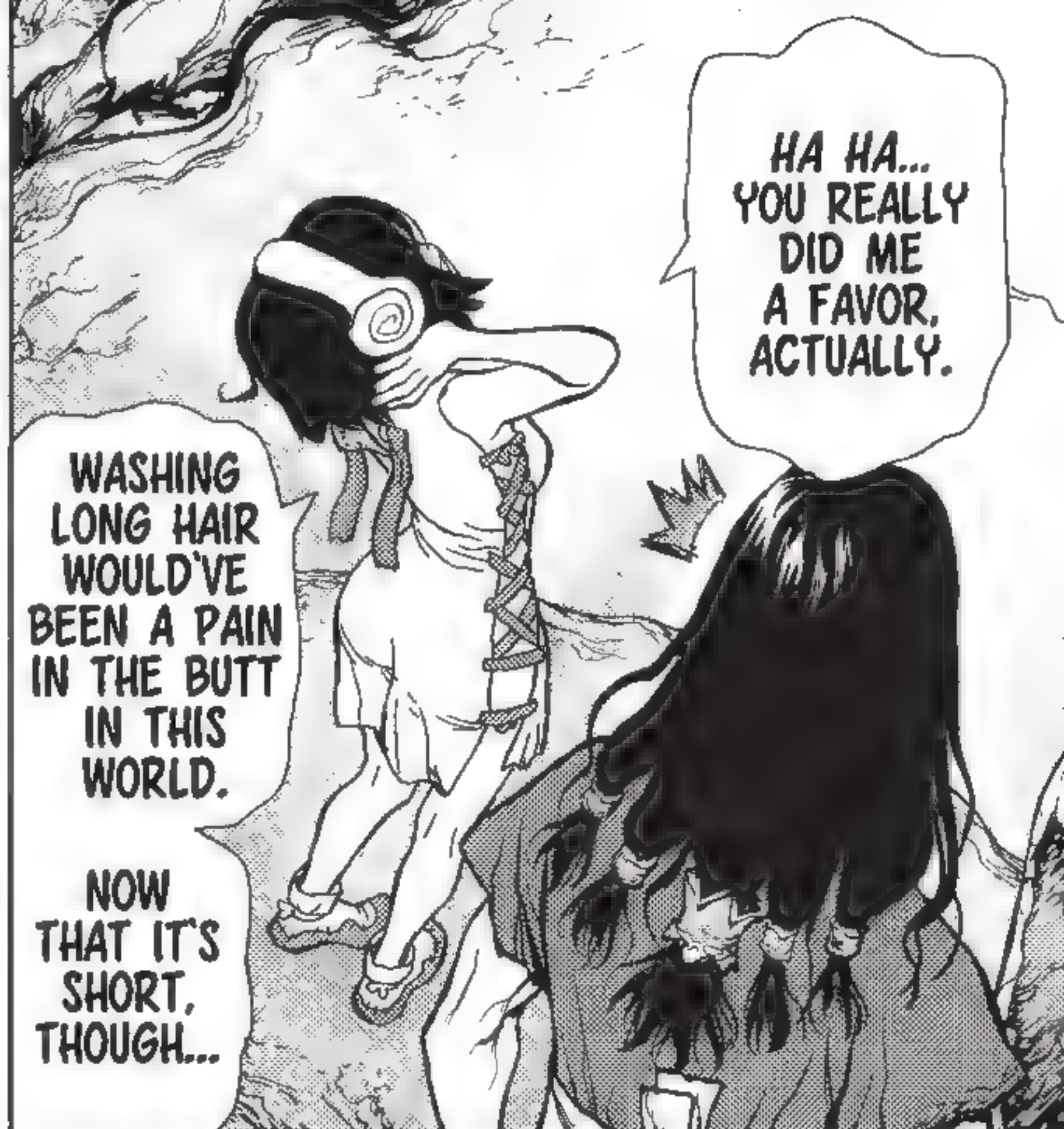
...YOU HAVE FRIENDS YOU CARE ABOUT.

YOU SAY YOU'RE ALL ABOUT LOGIC AND REASON, BUT...



...THIS IS MY WIN!

WHICH IS WHY, SENKU...





IF THERE'S TO
BE ANY HOPE
FOR THE
FUTURE FOR
ANYONE...

I DON'T
MATTER.
NOT
REALLY.

—YOU'RE
THE ONE
WHO CAN'T
DIE!

BUT YOU,
SENKU...





...MIX IT
WITH NEARLY
PURE 96
PERCENT
DISTILLED
ALCOHOL.

AFTER
FILTERING
THE MIRACLE
FLUID FROM
THE CAVE...



THREE
PARTS
MIRACLE
FLUID TO
SEVEN
PARTS
ALCOHOL.

THE REACTION
WON'T OCCUR
IF YOU'RE
EVEN A TINY
BIT OFF.



YOU CAN
ADJUST THE
PROPORTIONS
WHILE
TESTING ON
A PETRIFIED
SWALLOW'S
FEATHER.



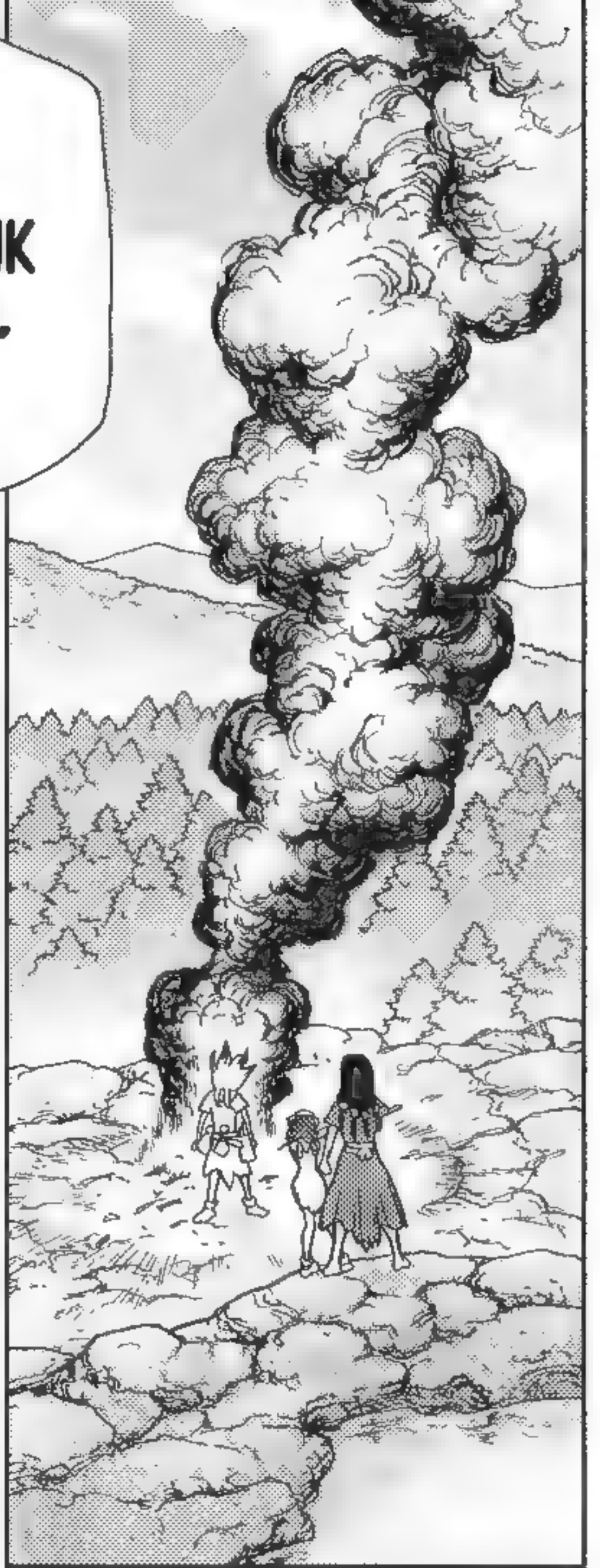
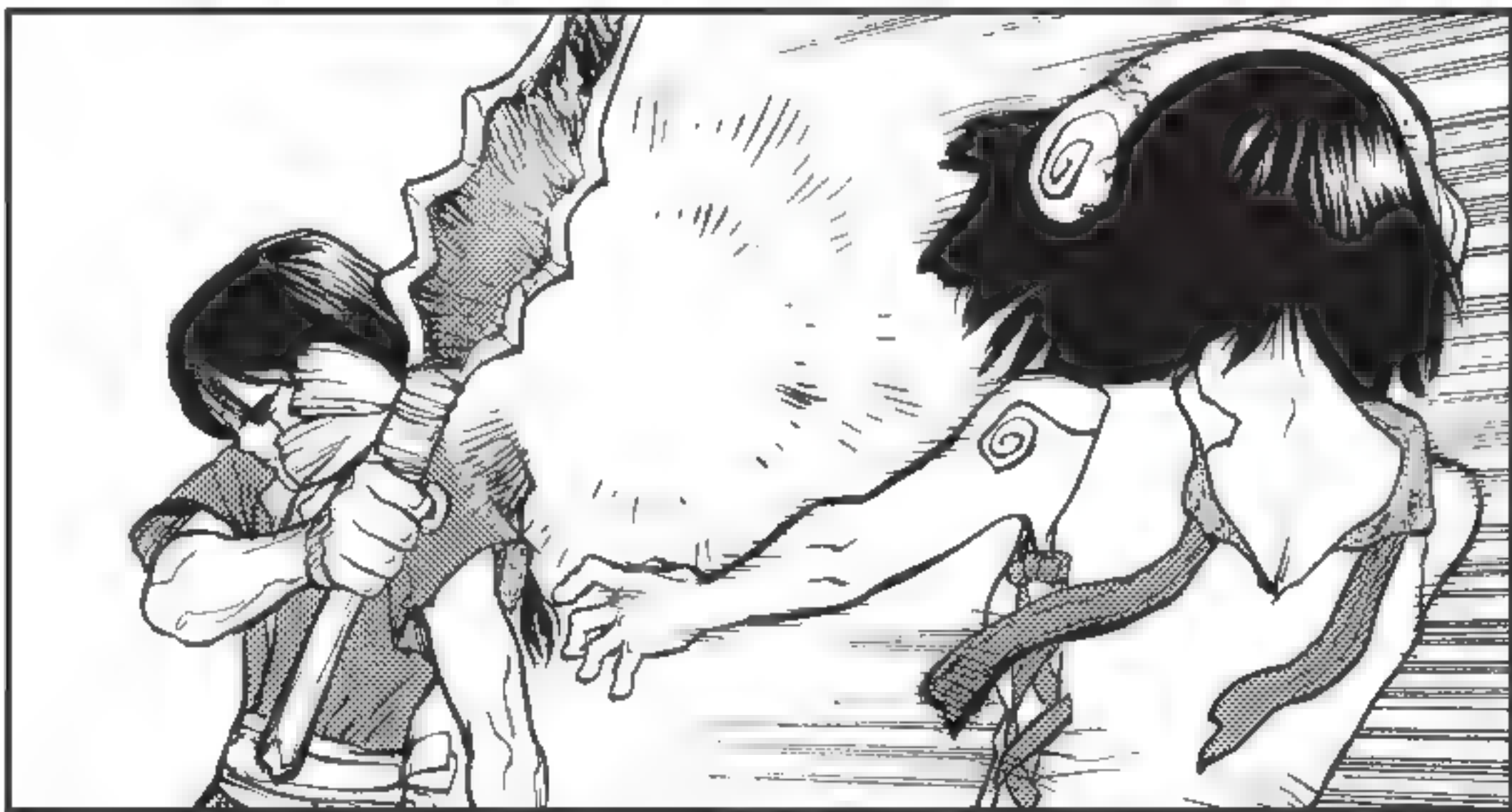
THE
REVIVAL
FLUID...

...IS A
SOLUTION
OF NITRIC
ACID AND
ALCOHOL.



SENKU.

THANK
YOU.



I HAVE NO
REASON TO
LET YOU LIVE.

NOW...



IT MUST
BE IN
RESPONSE
TO OUR
THREE
EXPLOSIONS!

NO
DOUBT
ABOUT
IT.

THERE'S
SOMEONE
ELSE OUT
THERE!!



SENKU!

YUURU!

...



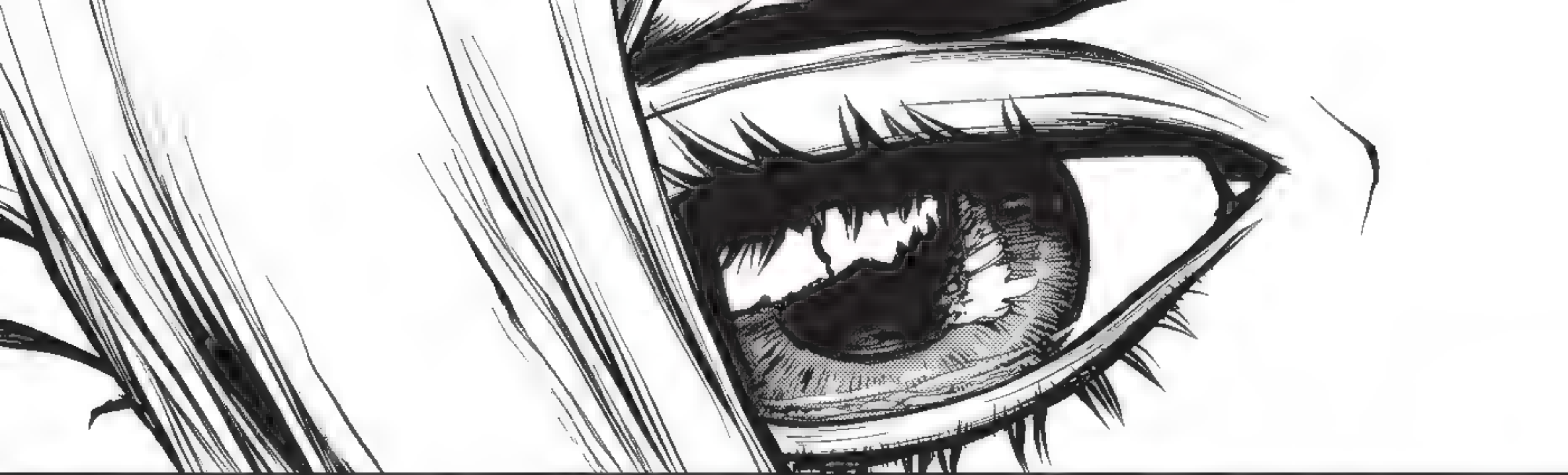
SMOKE
SIGNALS.

THREE
OF
'EM!!

OH...
OH!!!



THERE!
THAT
SHOULD BE
ENOUGH
TO...





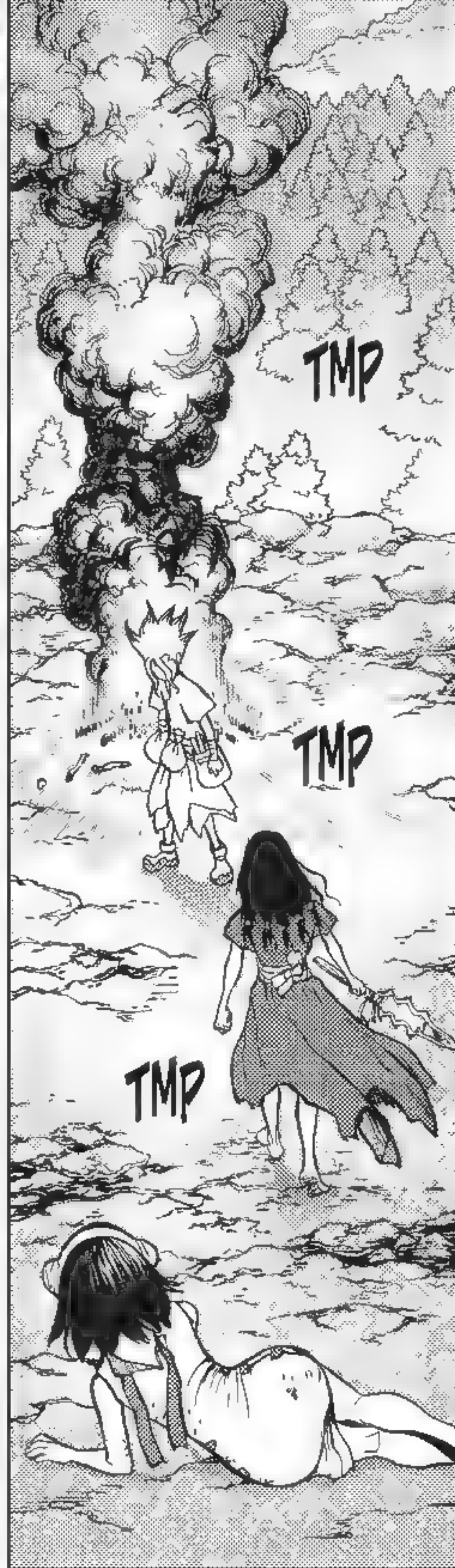
...YOU
WON'T
DO
THAT.

SO
PROMISE
ME...



RIGHT. IF I
LET YOU
LIVE...

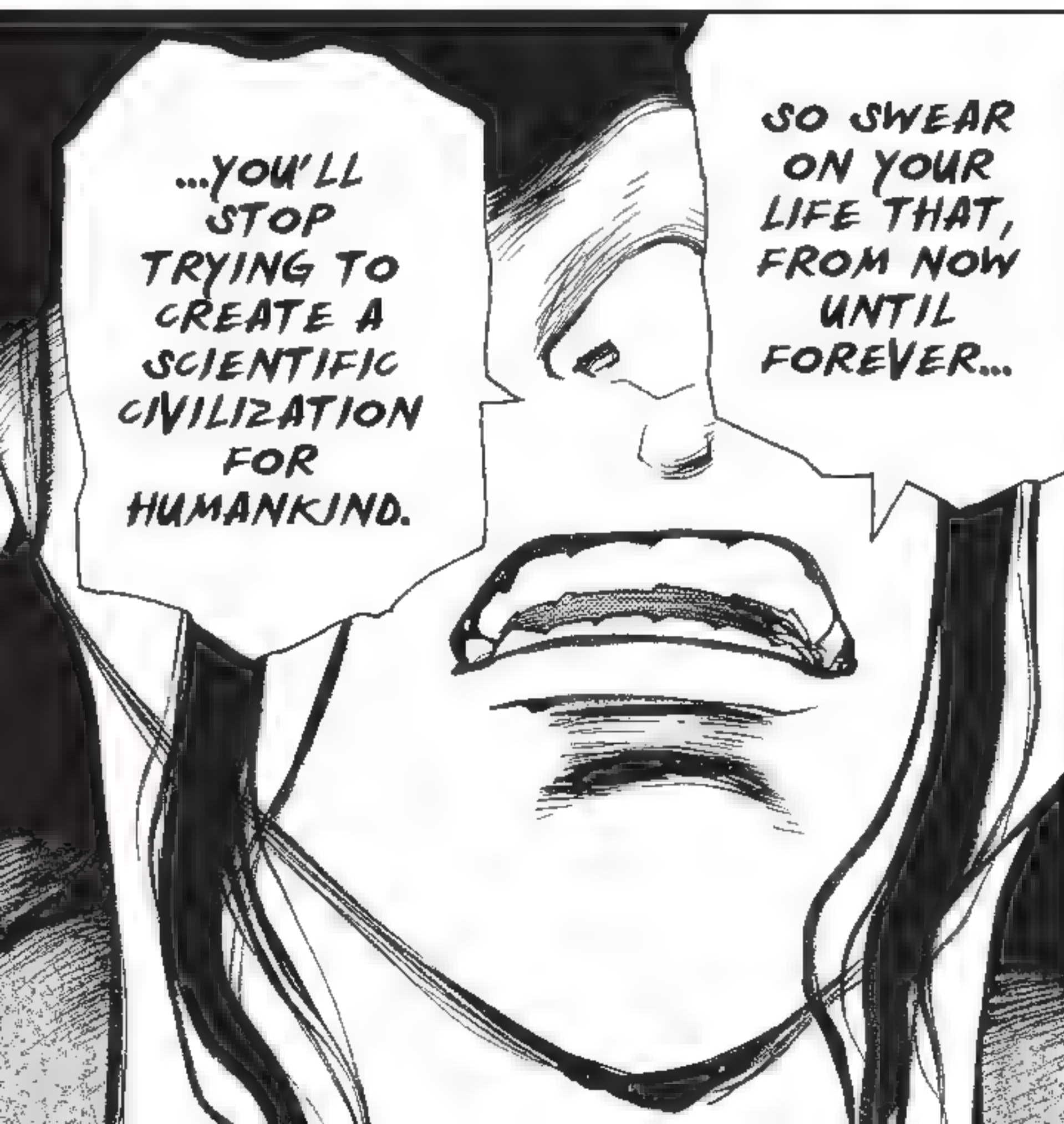
YOU'D GO ON
TO DEVELOP
CIVILIZATION.



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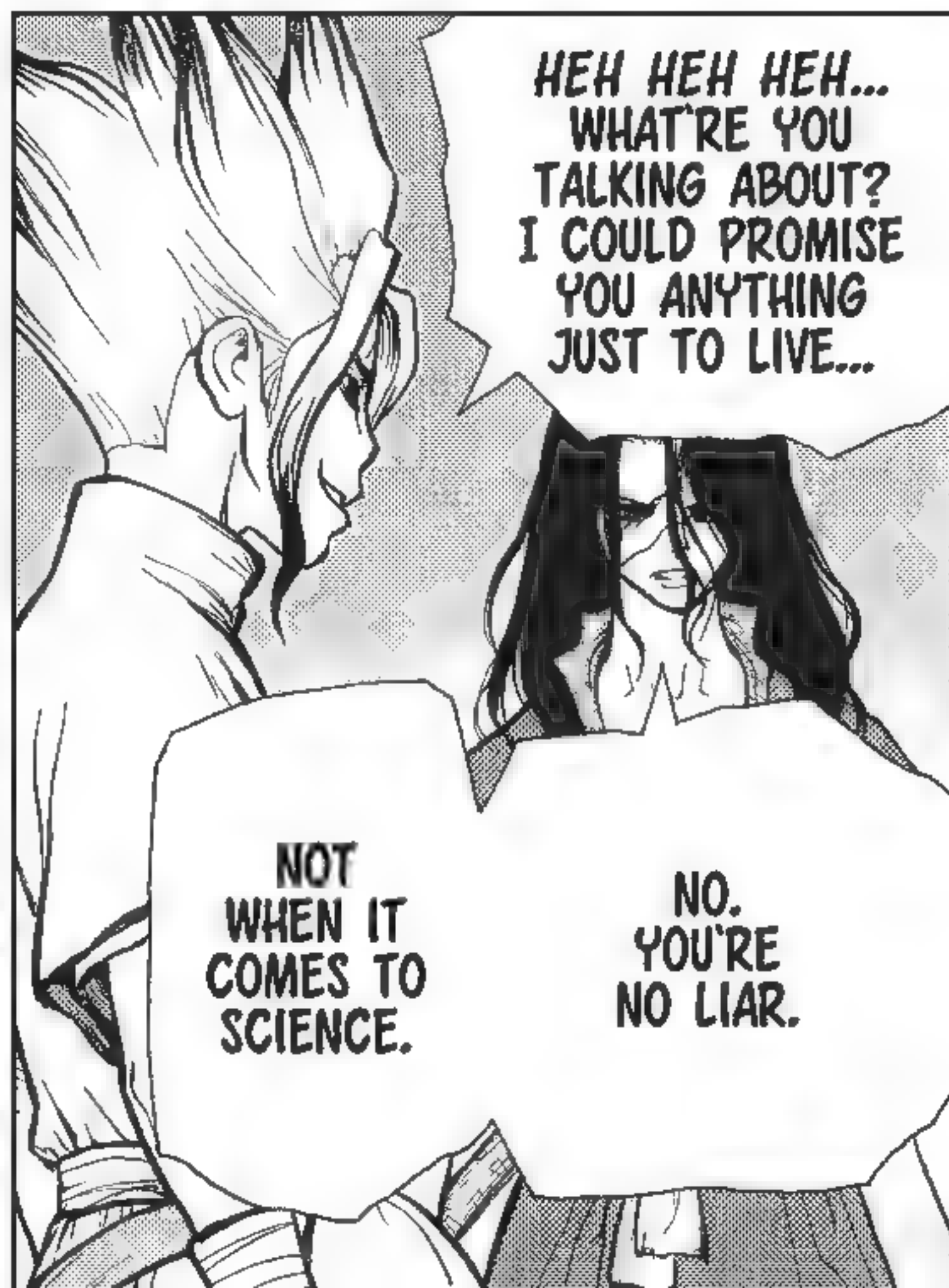
TMP

TMP



...YOU'LL
STOP
TRYING TO
CREATE A
SCIENTIFIC
CIVILIZATION
FOR
HUMANKIND.

SO SWEAR
ON YOUR
LIFE THAT,
FROM NOW
UNTIL
FOREVER...



HEH HEH HEH...
WHAT'RE YOU
TALKING ABOUT?
I COULD PROMISE
YOU ANYTHING
JUST TO LIVE...

NOT
WHEN IT
COMES TO
SCIENCE.

NO.
YOU'RE
NO LIAR.



DO
THAT,
SENKU...

...AND...

...I
WON'T
HAVE
TO KILL
YOU!



TAIJU...!

**BUT THAT
VOICE...**

**I COULD
BARELY
HEAR
THAT
JUST
NOW.**

Taiju's Early Days

SOME
REASON?!
THAT
WAS AN
EXTREME
VIOLATION!

FOR SOME REASON,
BREAKING THE
RULES LIKE THAT
GOT YOU KICKED
OUTTA THE GAME,
SENKU!

HERE
I GO!

BUT
I'LL GET
REVENGE
FOR
YOU!

H
H
H
H
H
H
!

R
A
H
H
H
H
H

VICTORY!

WHAT'S
THIS? THE
OTHER
TEAM'S
SURRENDER-
ING!



Z=10: Student of Science

A BIT
OVER
3,700
YEARS
AGO...

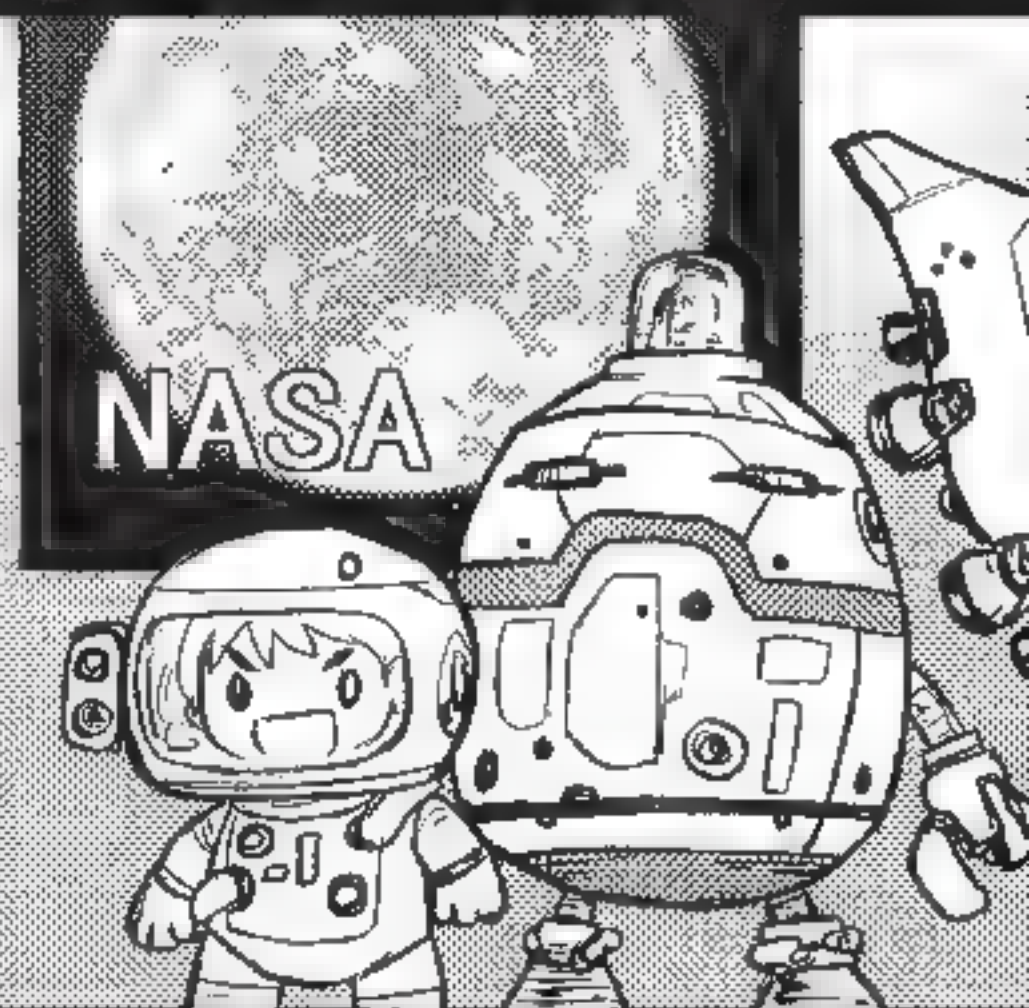
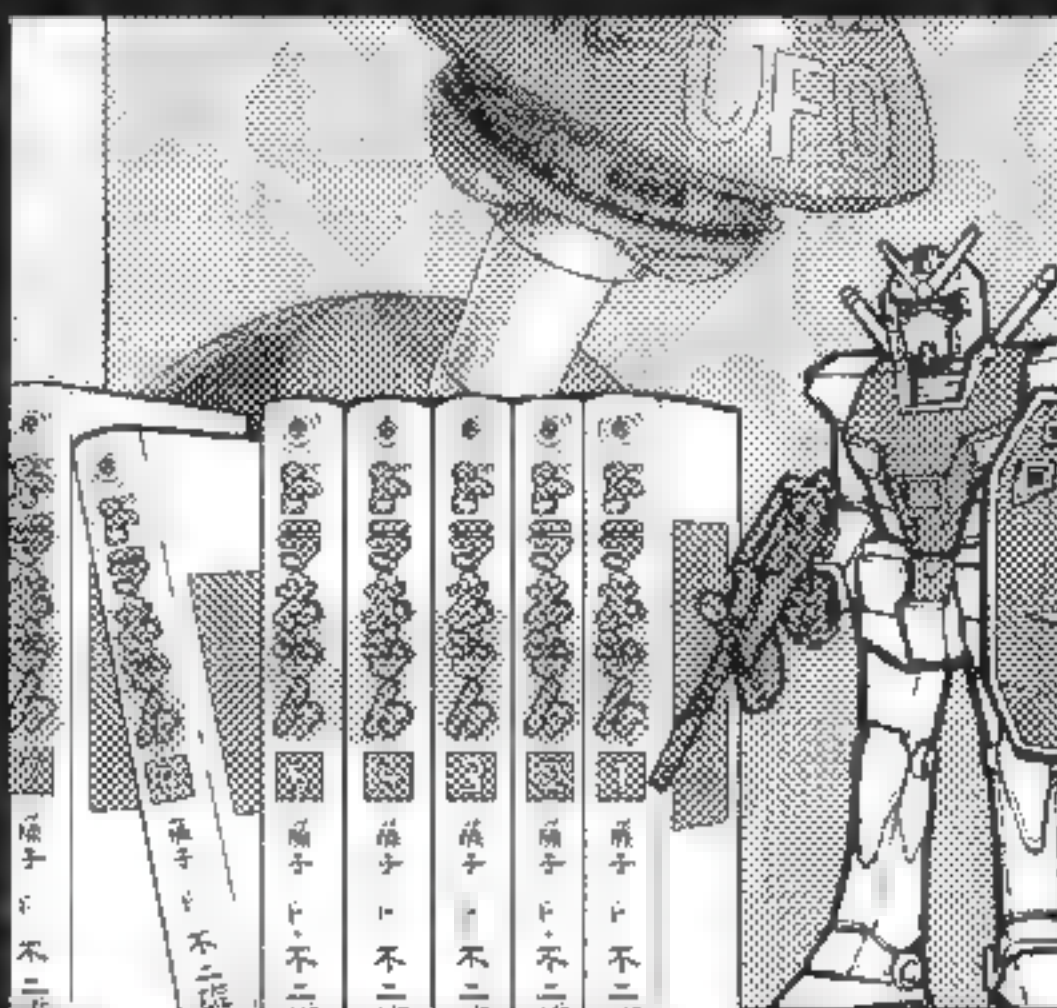
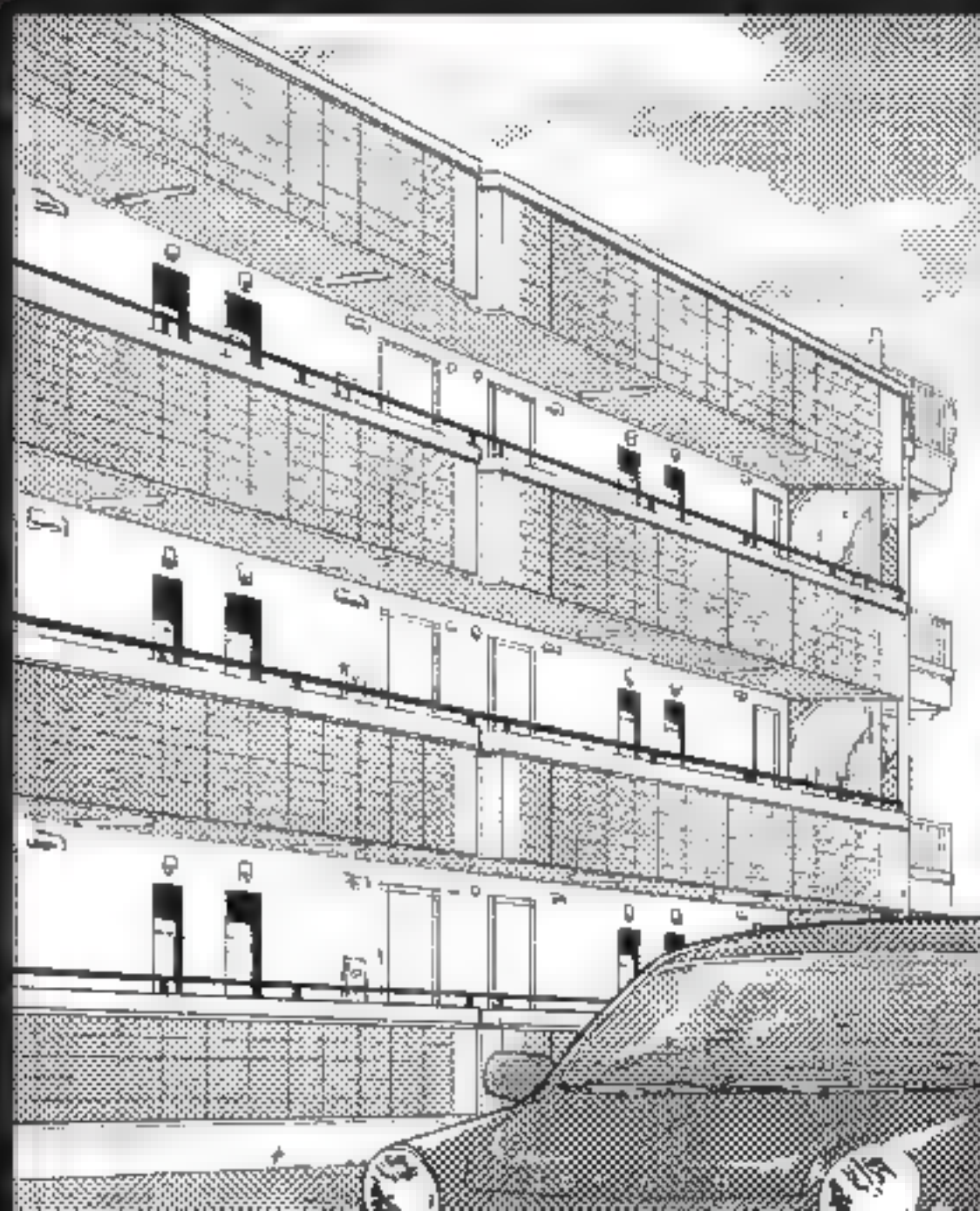
...WHEN
SENKU
WAS IN
FIRST
GRADE.

I'M
GOING
TO
SPACE!

CHATTER
CHATTER

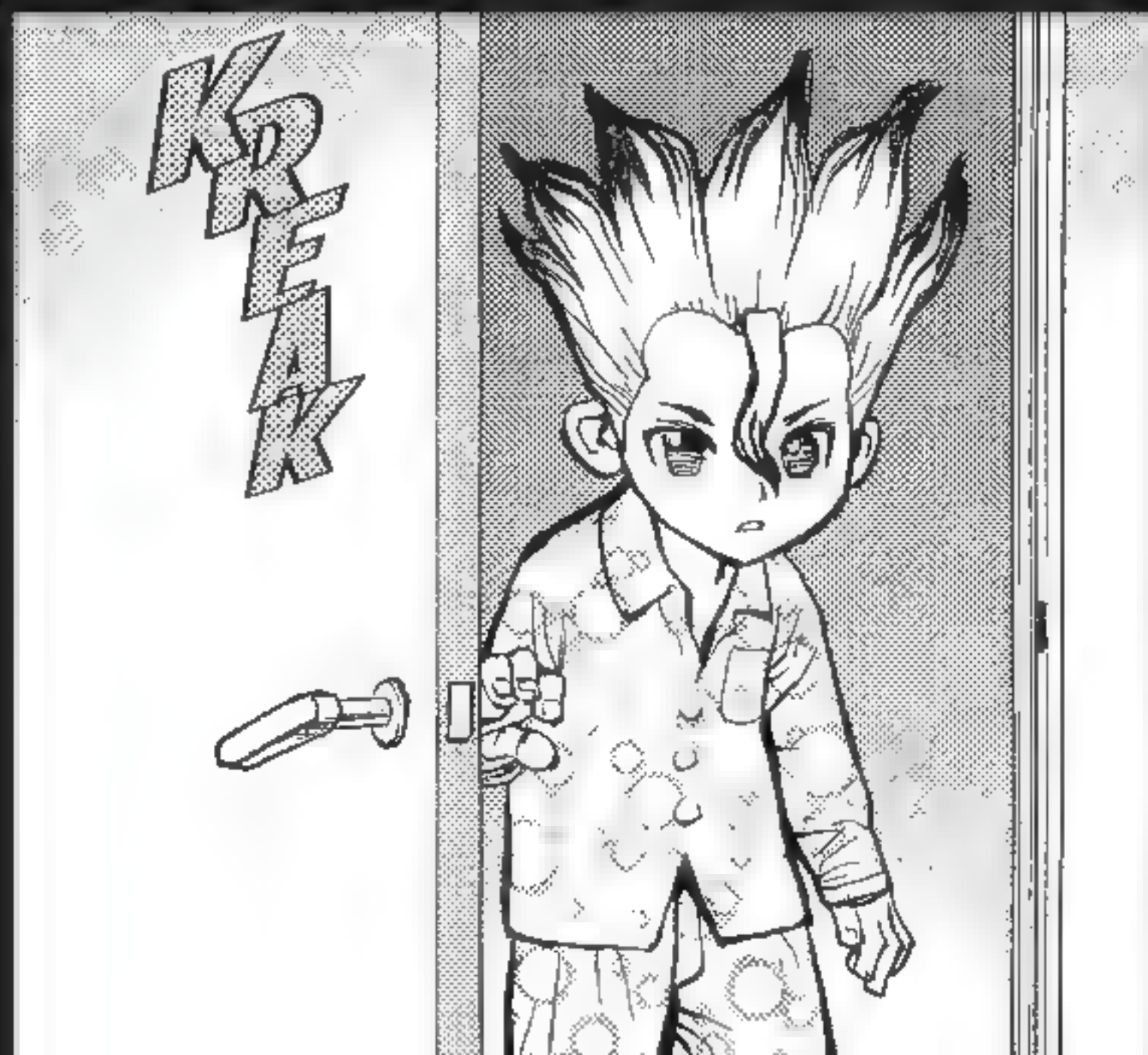
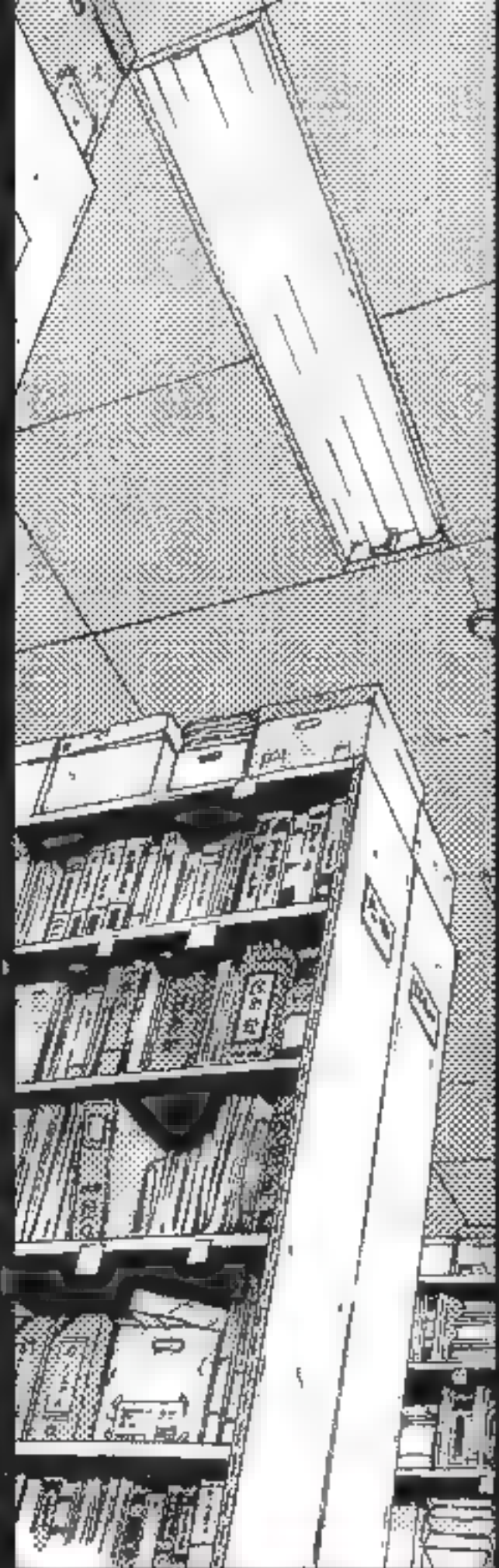
NO. MUCH
SOONER
THAN
THAT.

AN ASTRONAUT,
THEN! A
WONDERFUL
DREAM TO
PURSUE WHEN
YOU'RE ALL
GROWN UP.

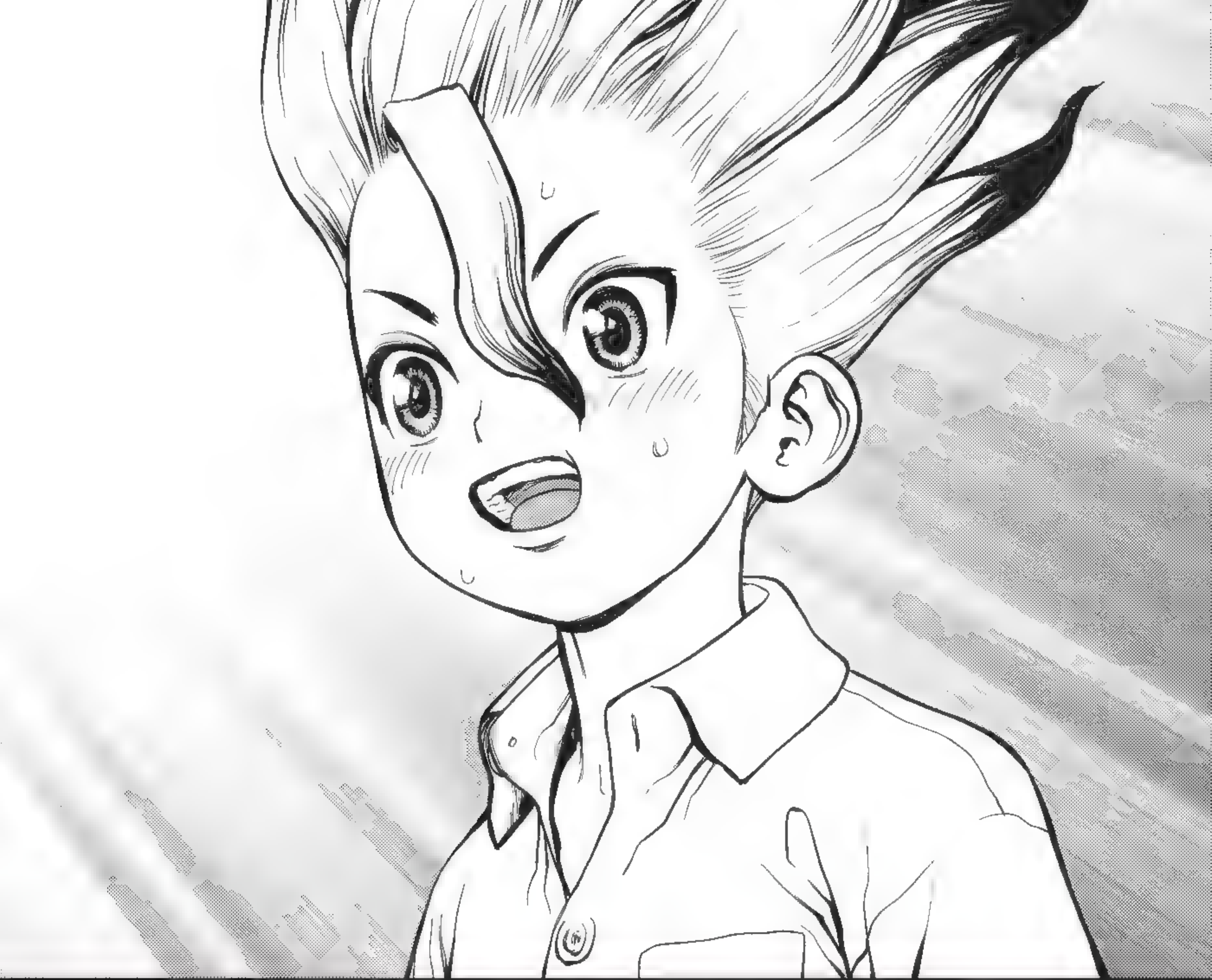


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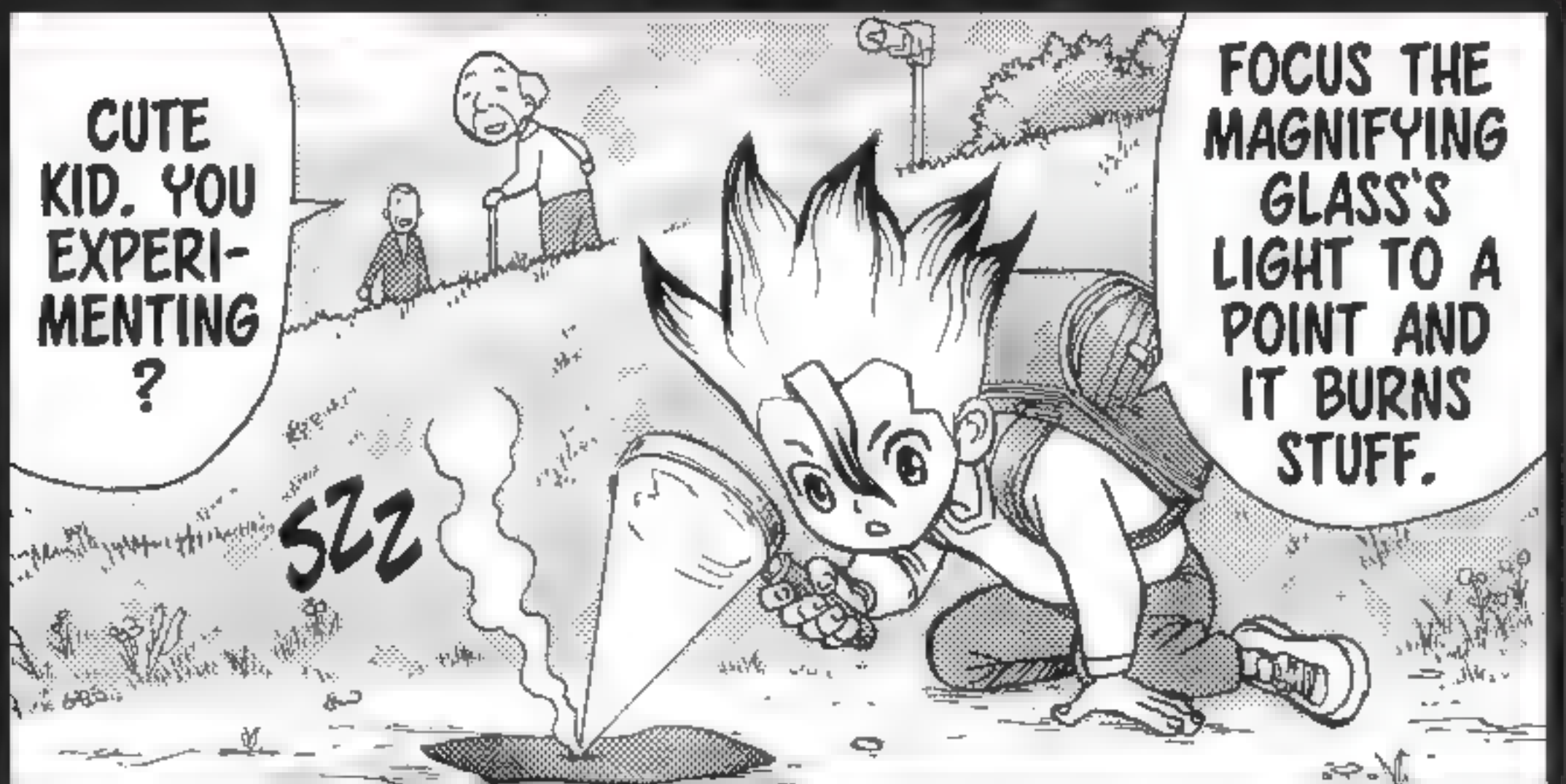
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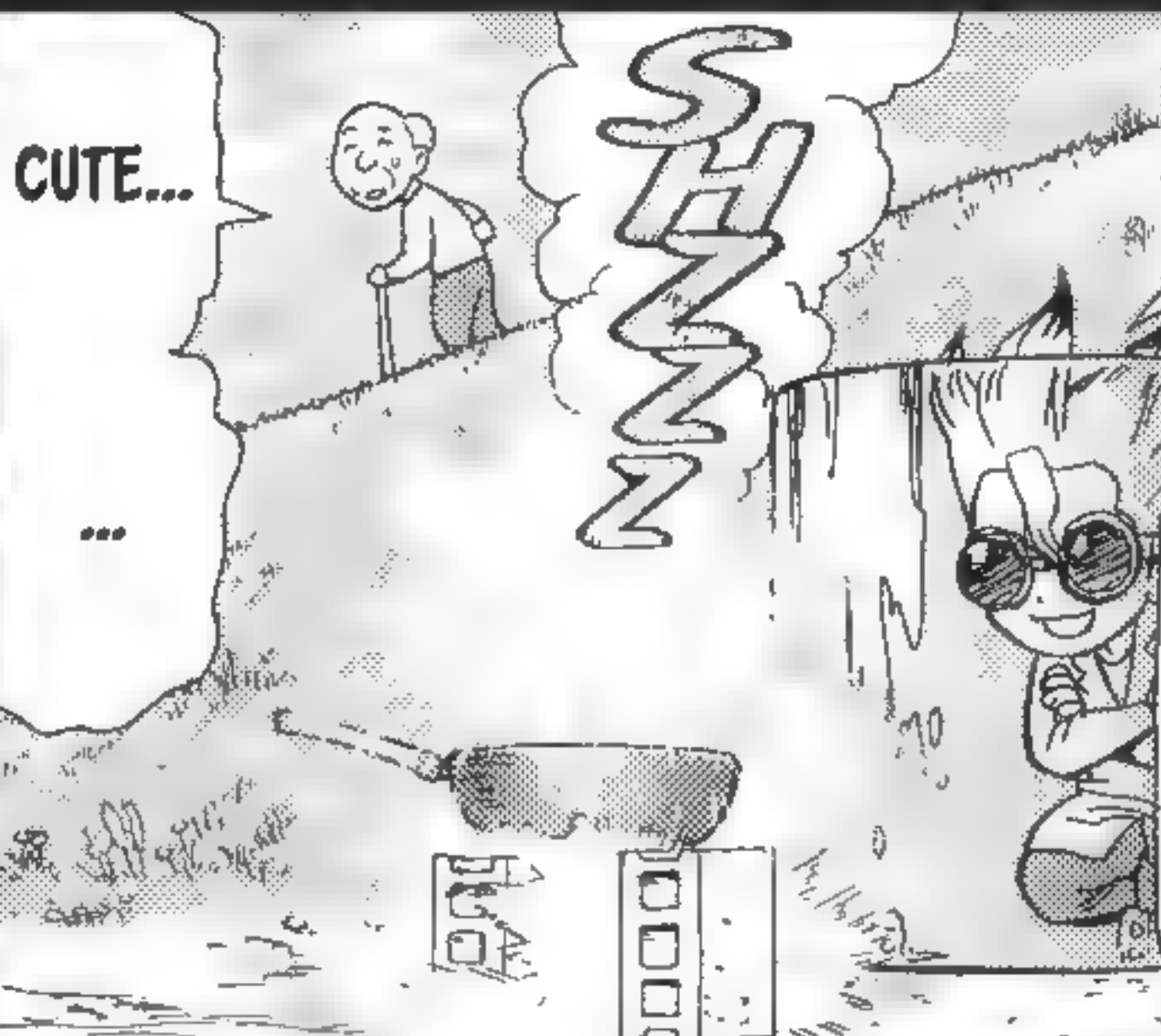
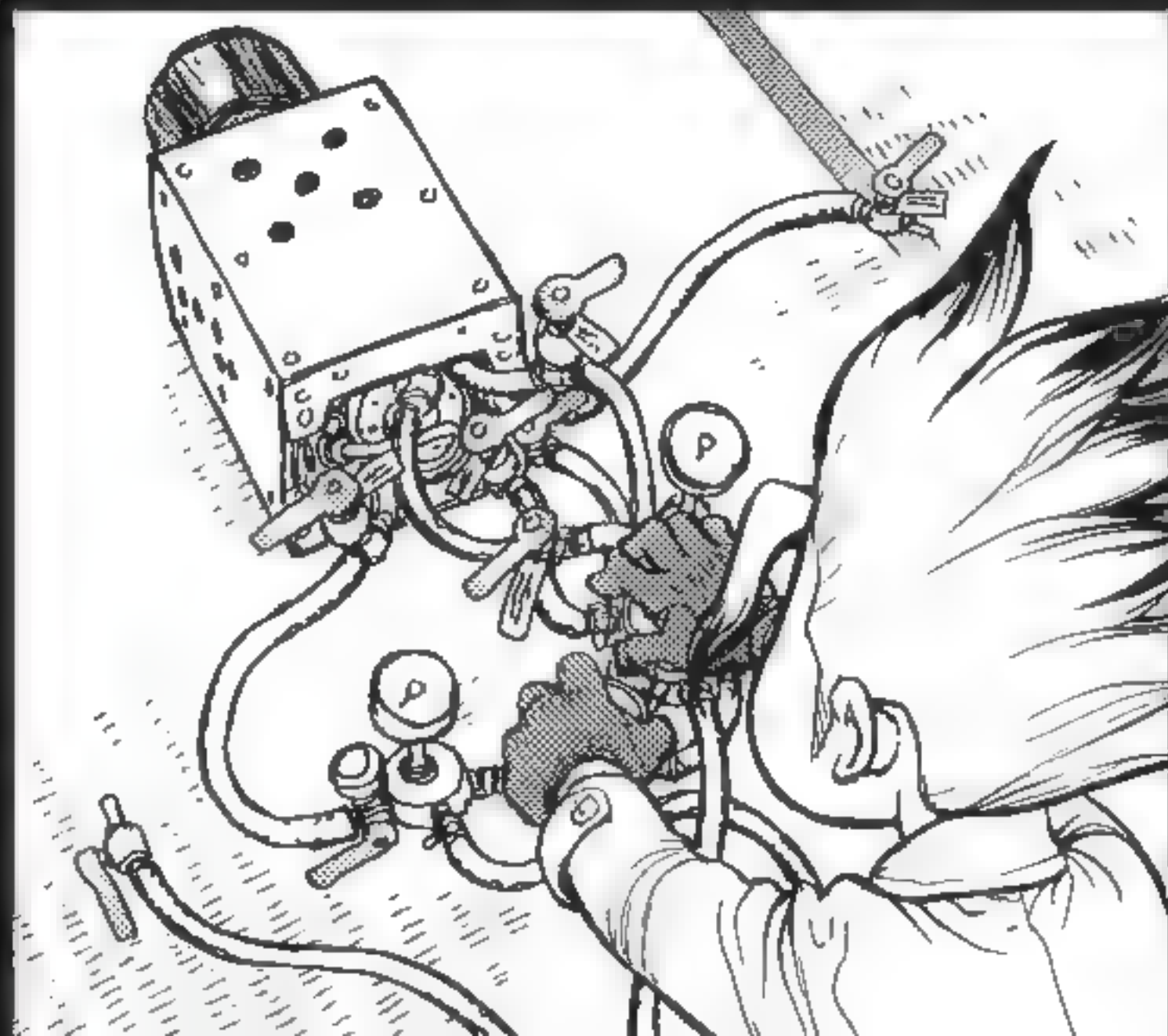




CUTE
KID. YOU
EXPERI-
MENTING
?



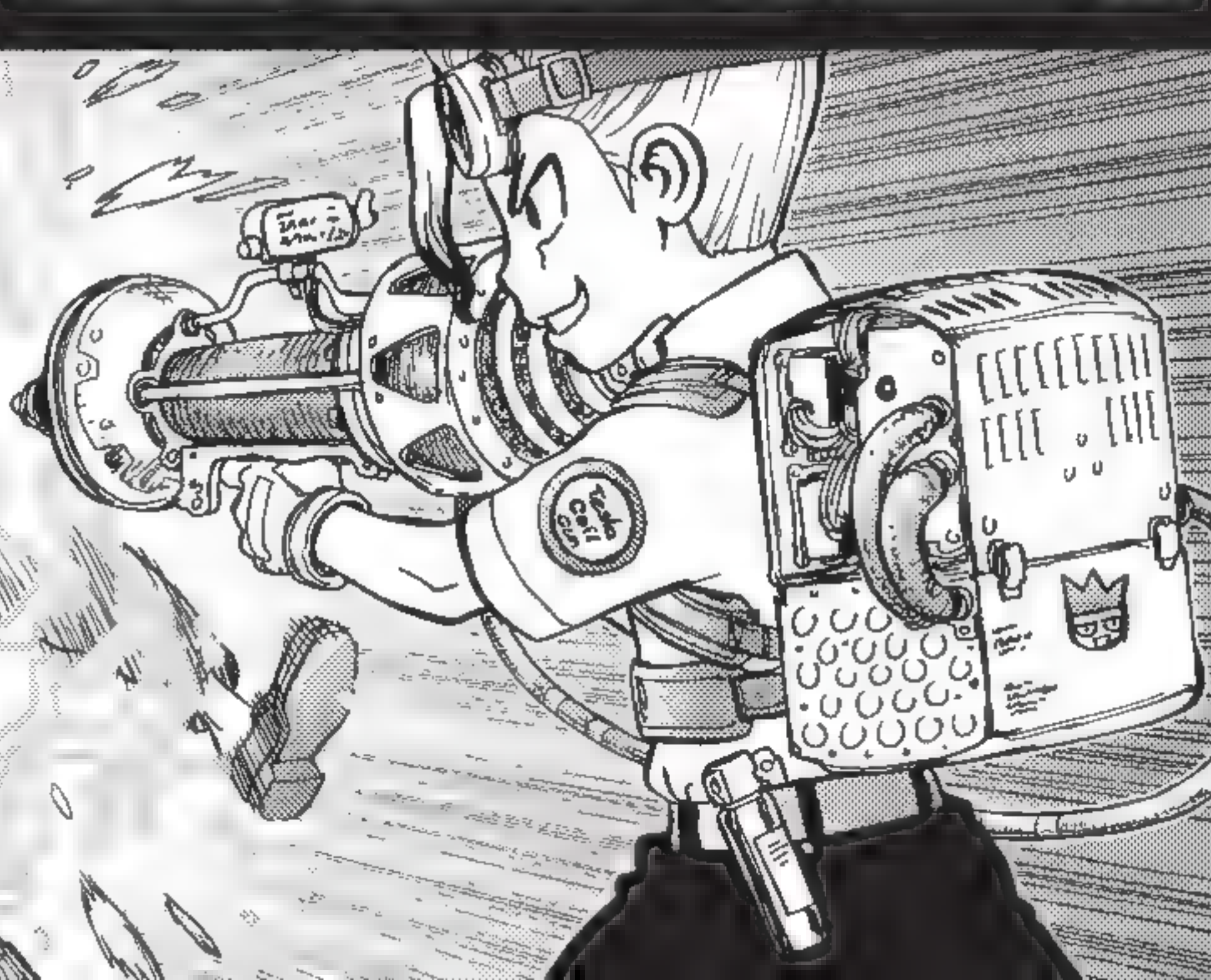
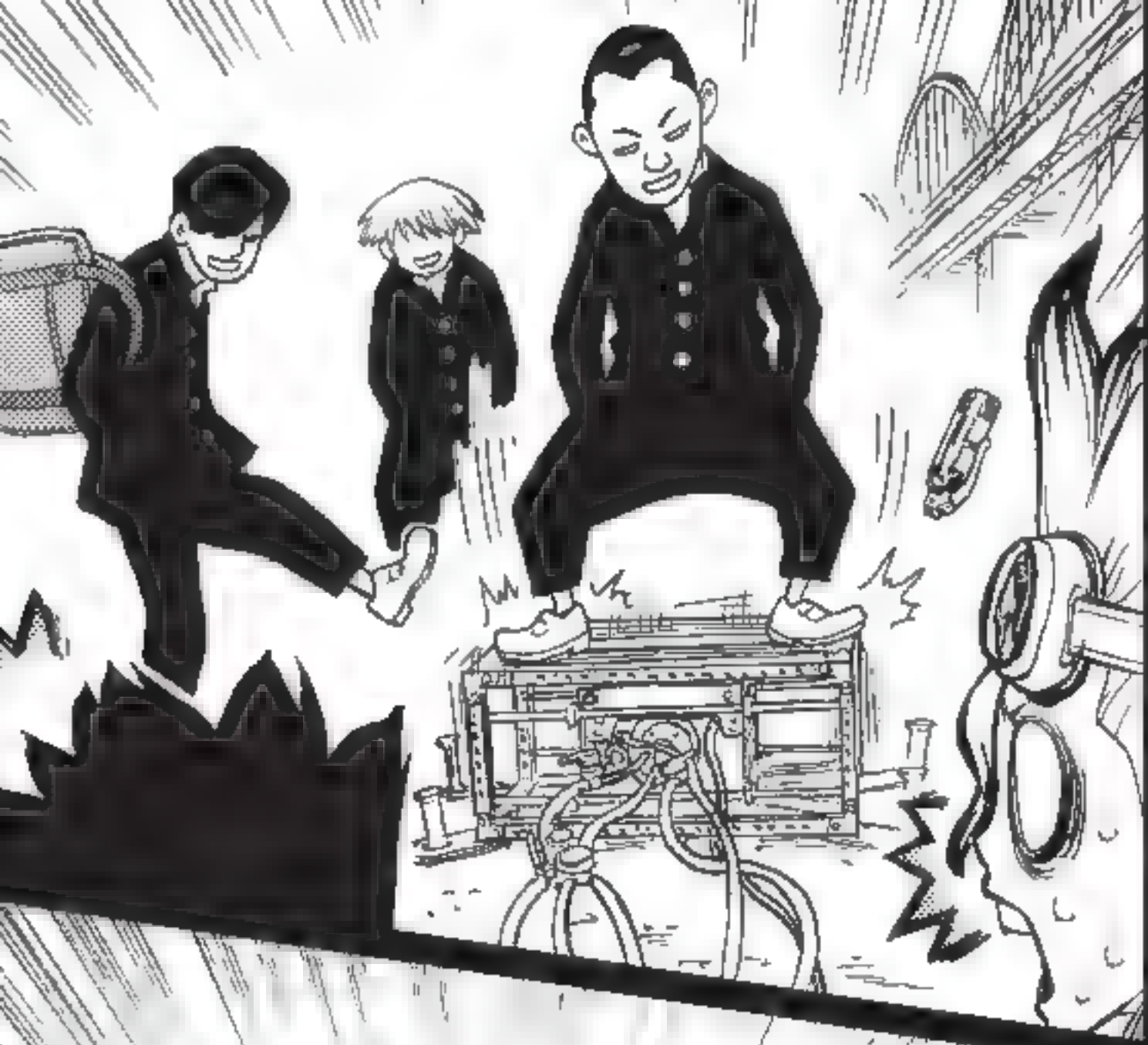
FOCUS THE
MAGNIFYING
GLASS'S
LIGHT TO A
POINT AND
IT BURNS
STUFF.



CUTE...

HEH HEH
HEH... IRON
SAND AND
ALUMINUM
FOIL MAKE
A WICKED
COMBO.

THE
THERMITE
REACTION'S
MELTING
RIGHT
THROUGH THE
FRYING PAN.







WHAT'S ALL
THIS FOR,
ANYWAY??

I KNOW,
IT'S A LITTLE
EMBARRASSING
THAT I'M INTO
DOLL MAKING...

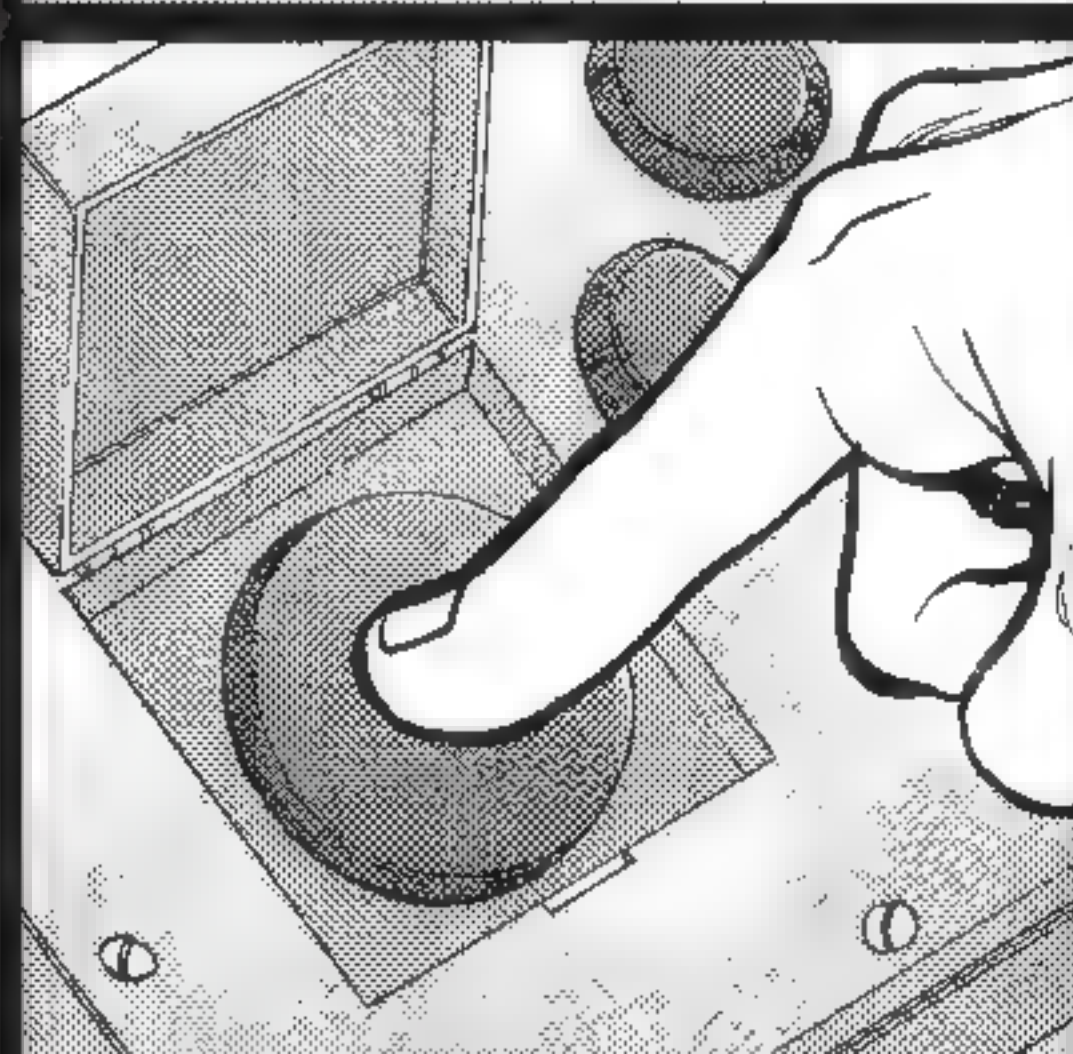
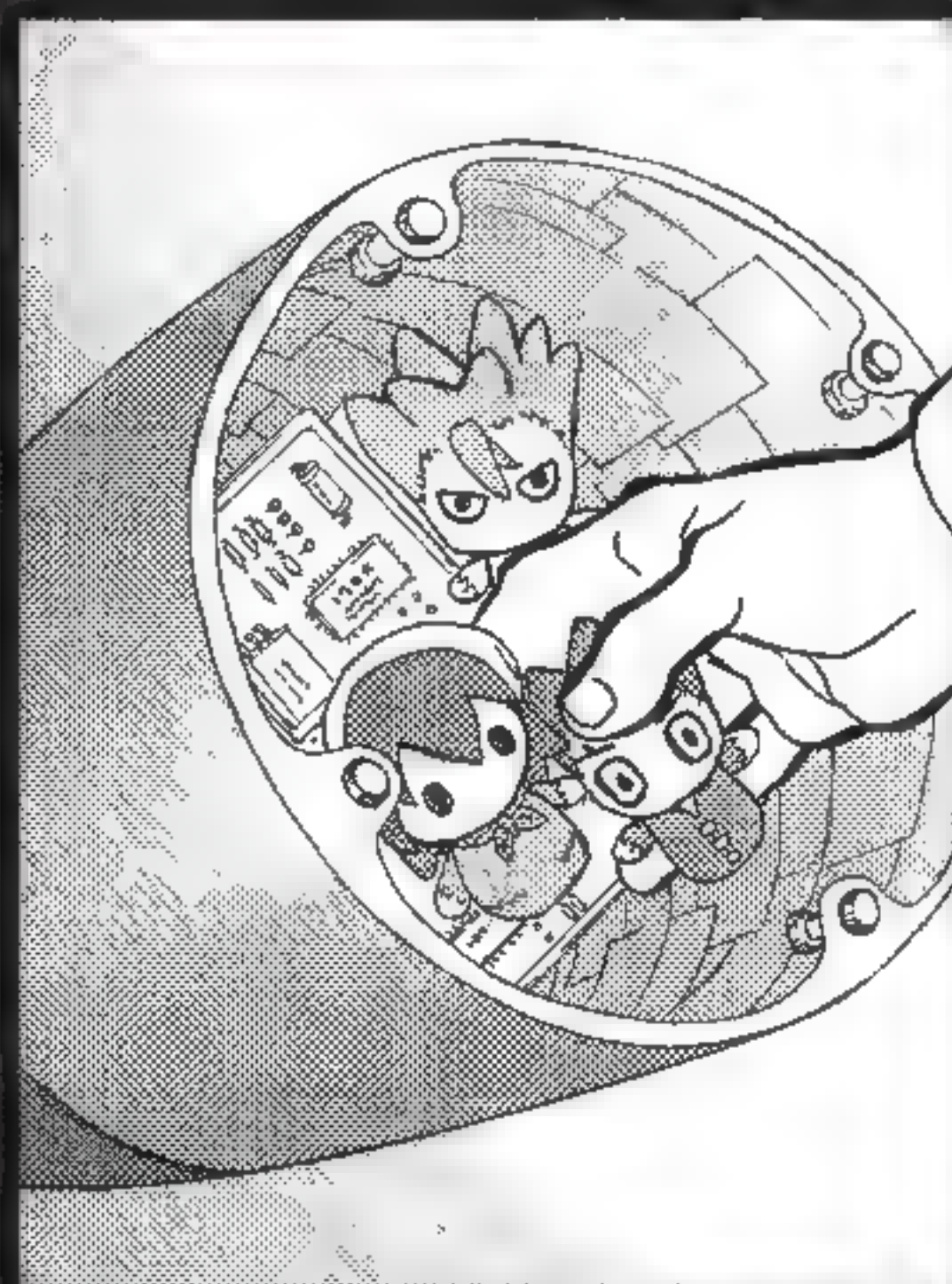


SENKU!!

...SHE
MADE
THESE
THREE
LITTLE
PASSENGERS
FOR US!

I ASKED
YUZURIHA
OGAWA FROM
THE ARTS
AND CRAFTS
CLUB, AND...

YOU SAID WE
COULD LOAD
THIS THING
WITH SOME
LIGHT CARGO,
RIGHT?





HEH HEH
HEH... NOT
EXACTLY.

BLEW UP
IN THE
SKY...

I ONLY
GOT ONE
TRANS-
MISSION.
BUT IT'S A
GOOD ONE.

ANOTHER
FAILURE
FY



OHNNNN...

OH...





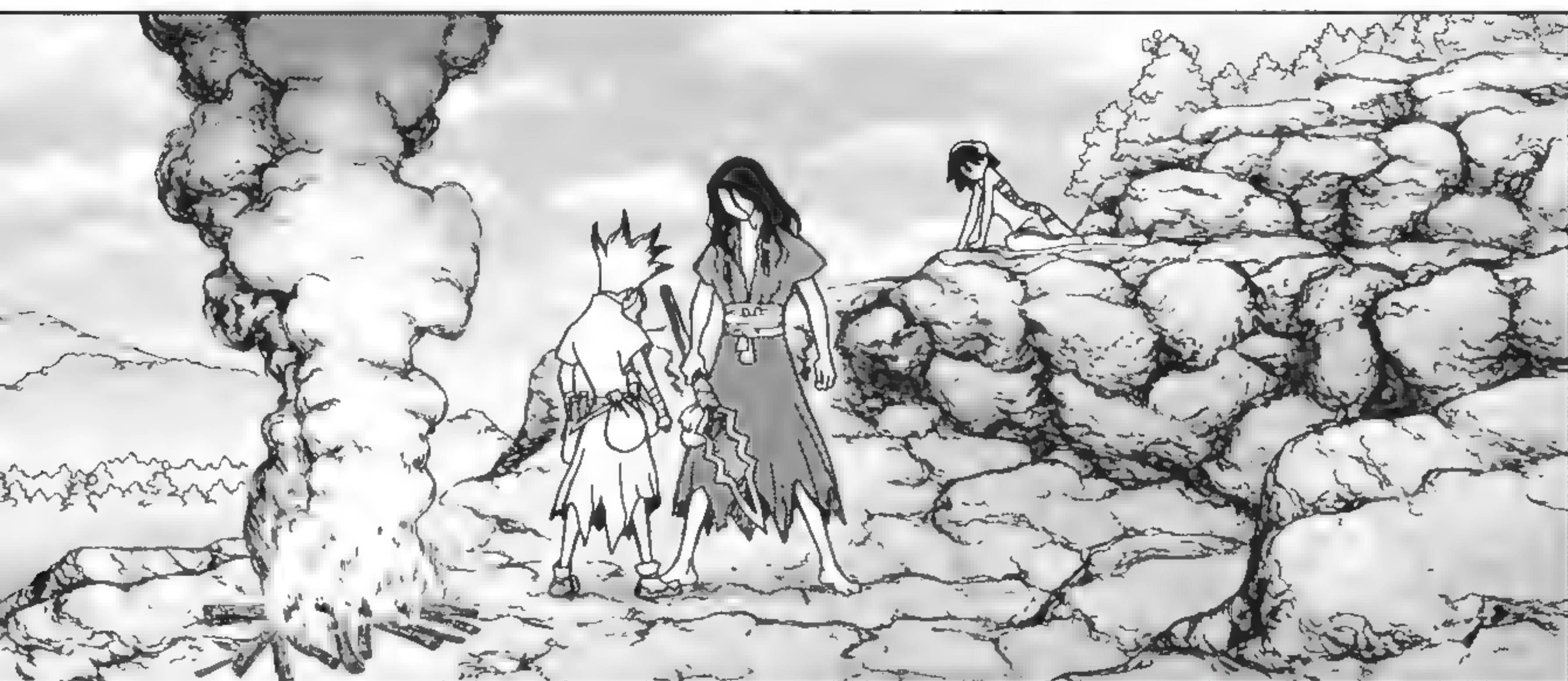


**THERE'S
NOTHING
YOU CAN'T
ACCOMPLISH
...**

**...WITH
SCIENCE
AND
DILIGENCE!**

**I'M GOING
TO SPACE.**

**SOMETIME
REAL SOON.**



**SO SWEAR
TO ME,
HERE AND
NOW.**

**SWEAR
THAT
YOU'LL...**

**...GIVE
UP ON
SCIENCE.**

SENKU.

**I WON'T
KILL YOU
IF I DON'T
HAVE TO.**

THAT'S
THE ONLY
THING...

...I
COULD
NEVER
DO.

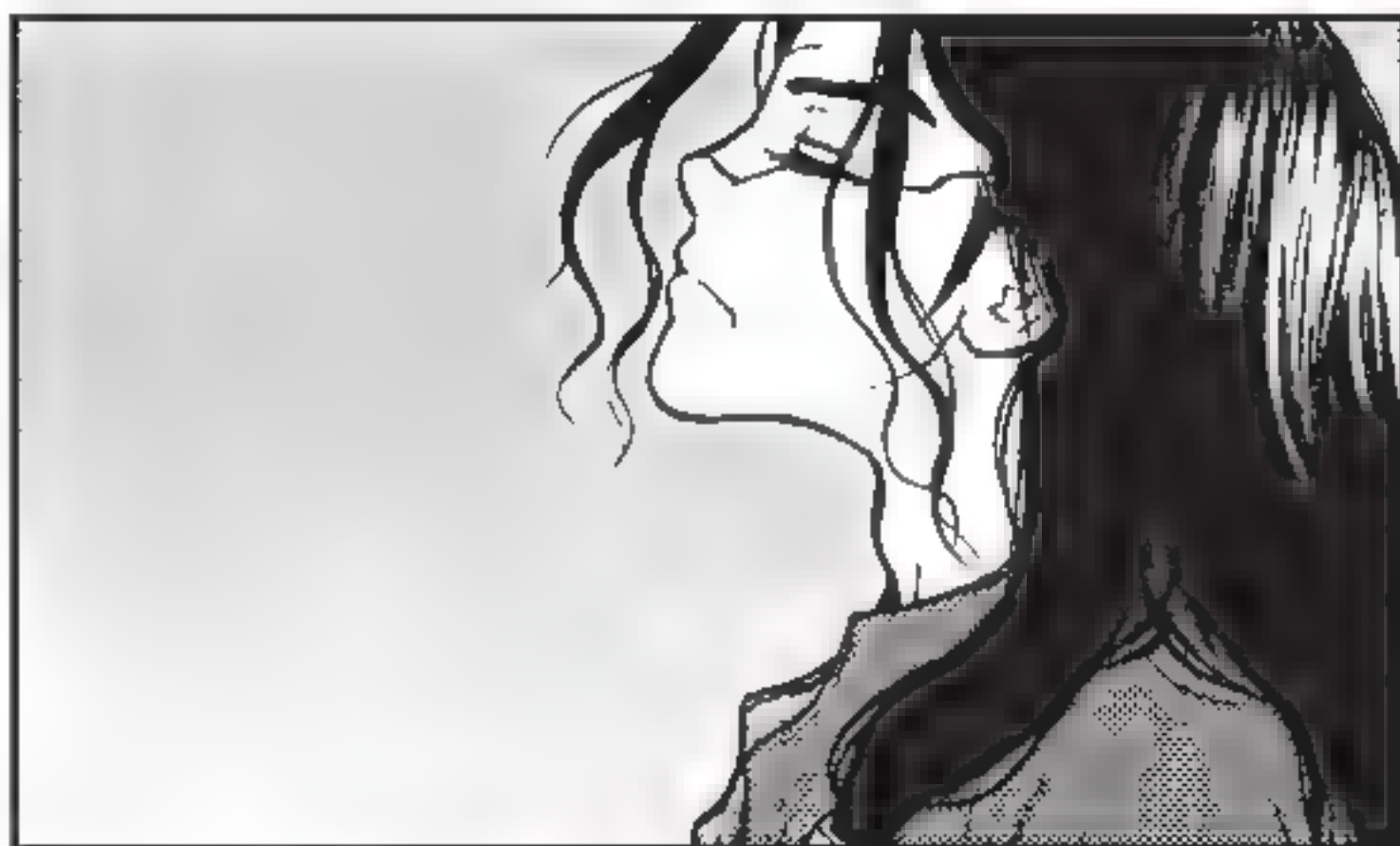




I KNEW...

RIGHT.

...THAT'D
BE YOUR
ANSWER.



PERHAPS.

JUST IN
CASE.

...YOU
WOULD'VE
KILLED ME
SOMEDAY.

HEH HEH
HEH... DON'T
GIMME THAT
CRAP. NO
MATTER
WHAT I
SAID...

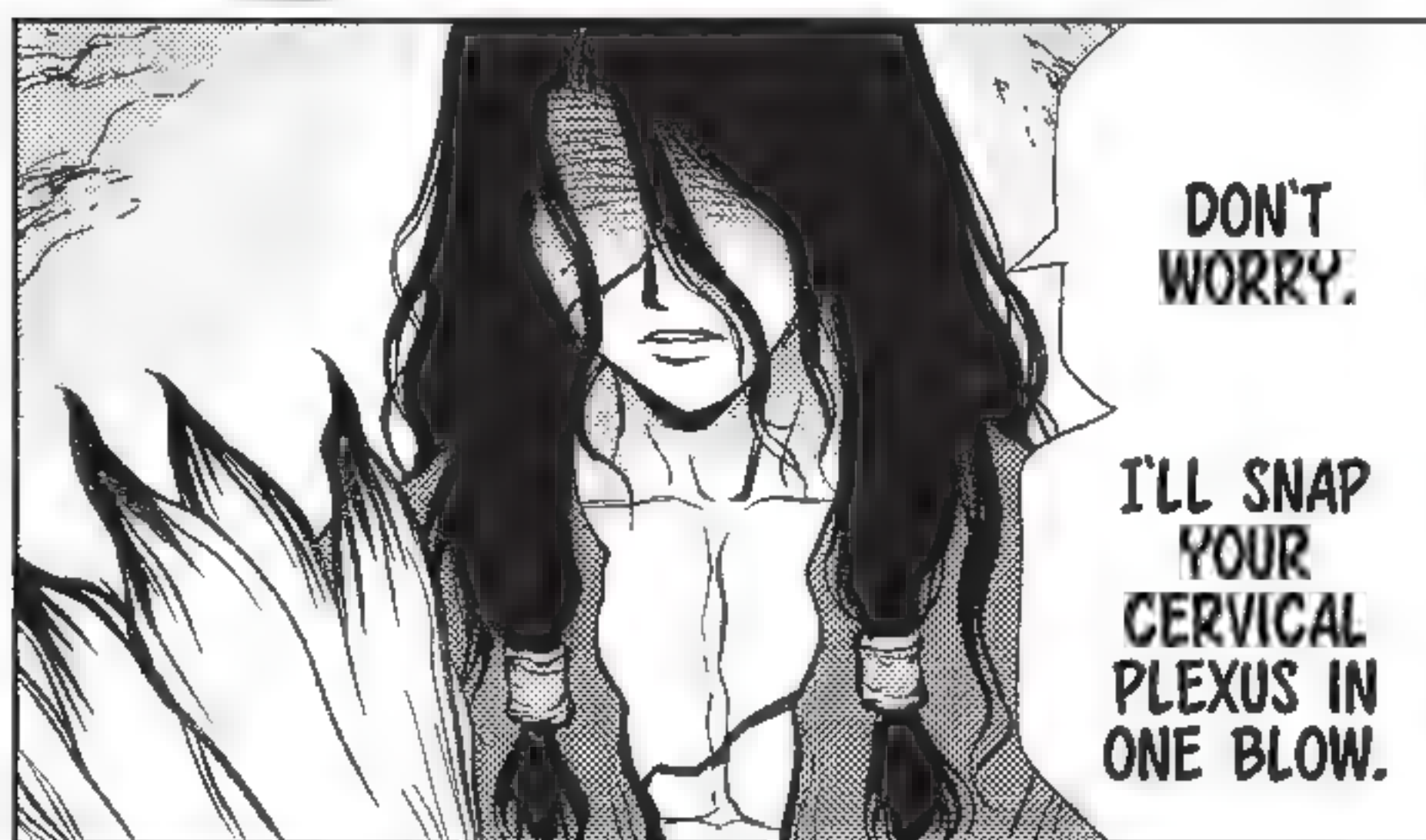


TRY TO
FINISH ME
IN ONE
HIT, 'KAY?

KRIK

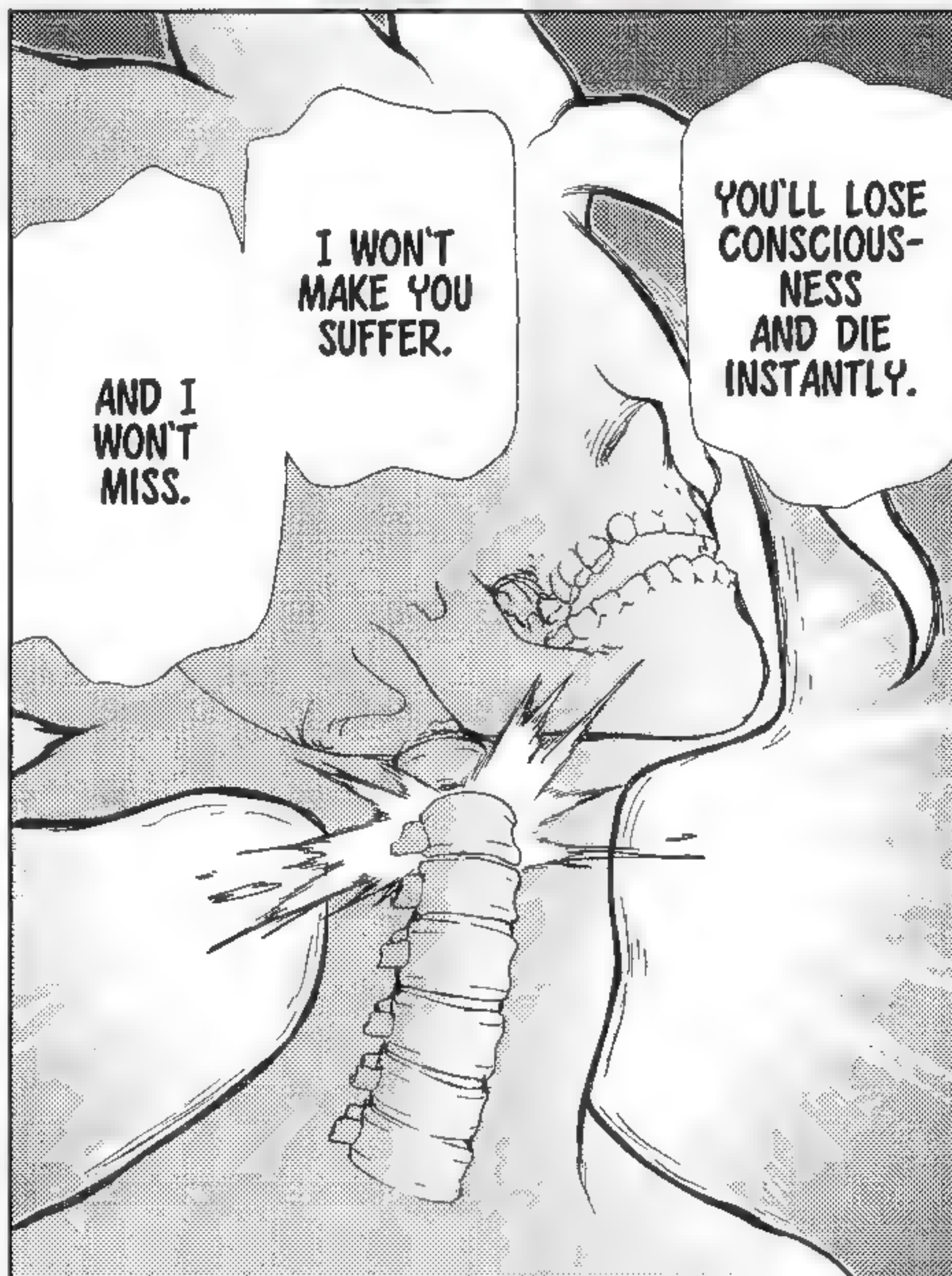
...TO HAVE
BLOOD
GUSHING
EVERYWHERE.

IT
WOULDN'T
BE
LOGICAL...



DON'T
WORRY.

I'LL SNAP
YOUR
CERVICAL
PLEXUS IN
ONE BLOW.



I WON'T
MAKE YOU
SUFFER.

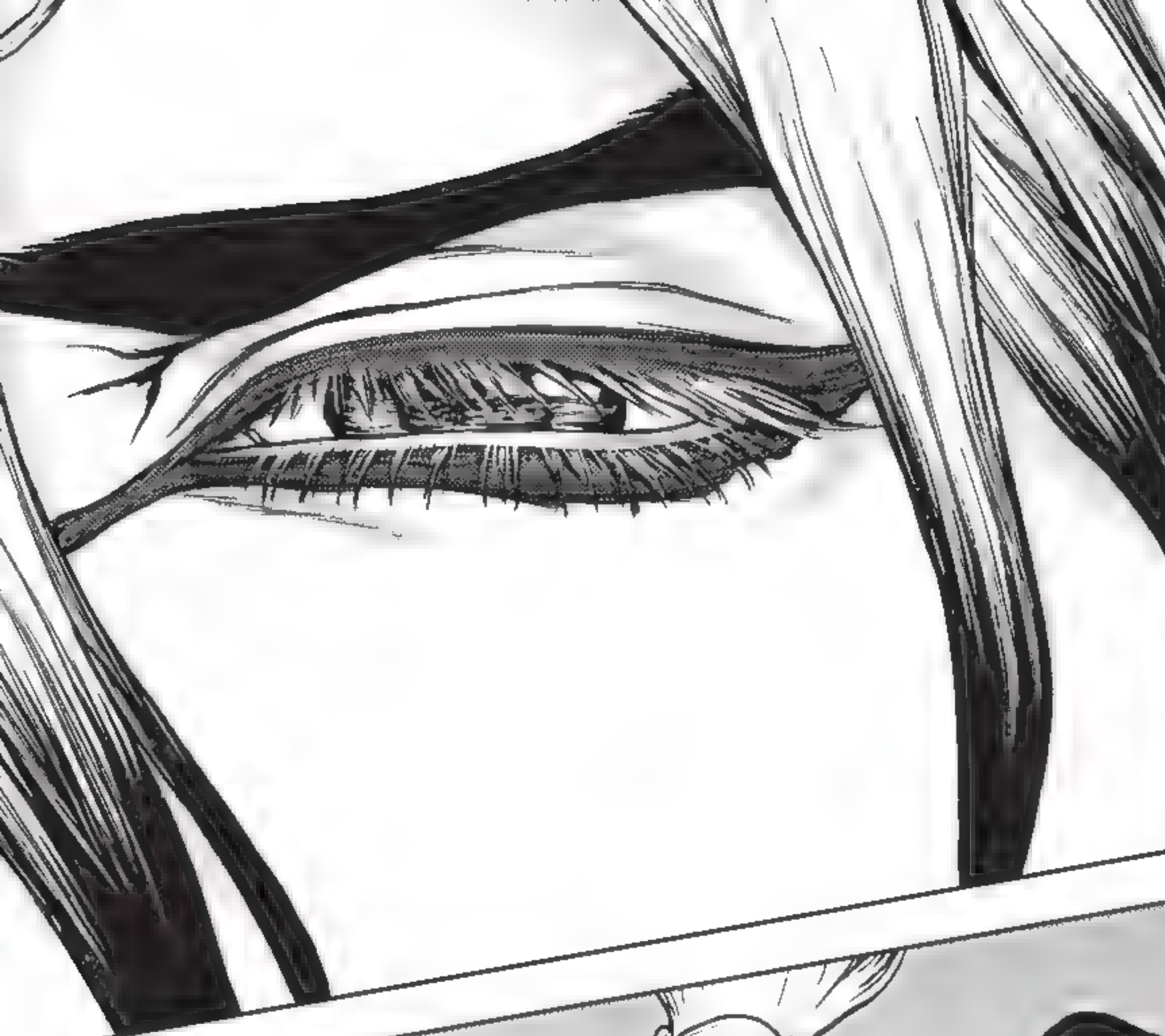
AND I
WON'T
MISS.

YOU'LL LOSE
CONSCIOUS-
NESS
AND DIE
INSTANTLY.



AAAAHH,
YUZURIHA!!

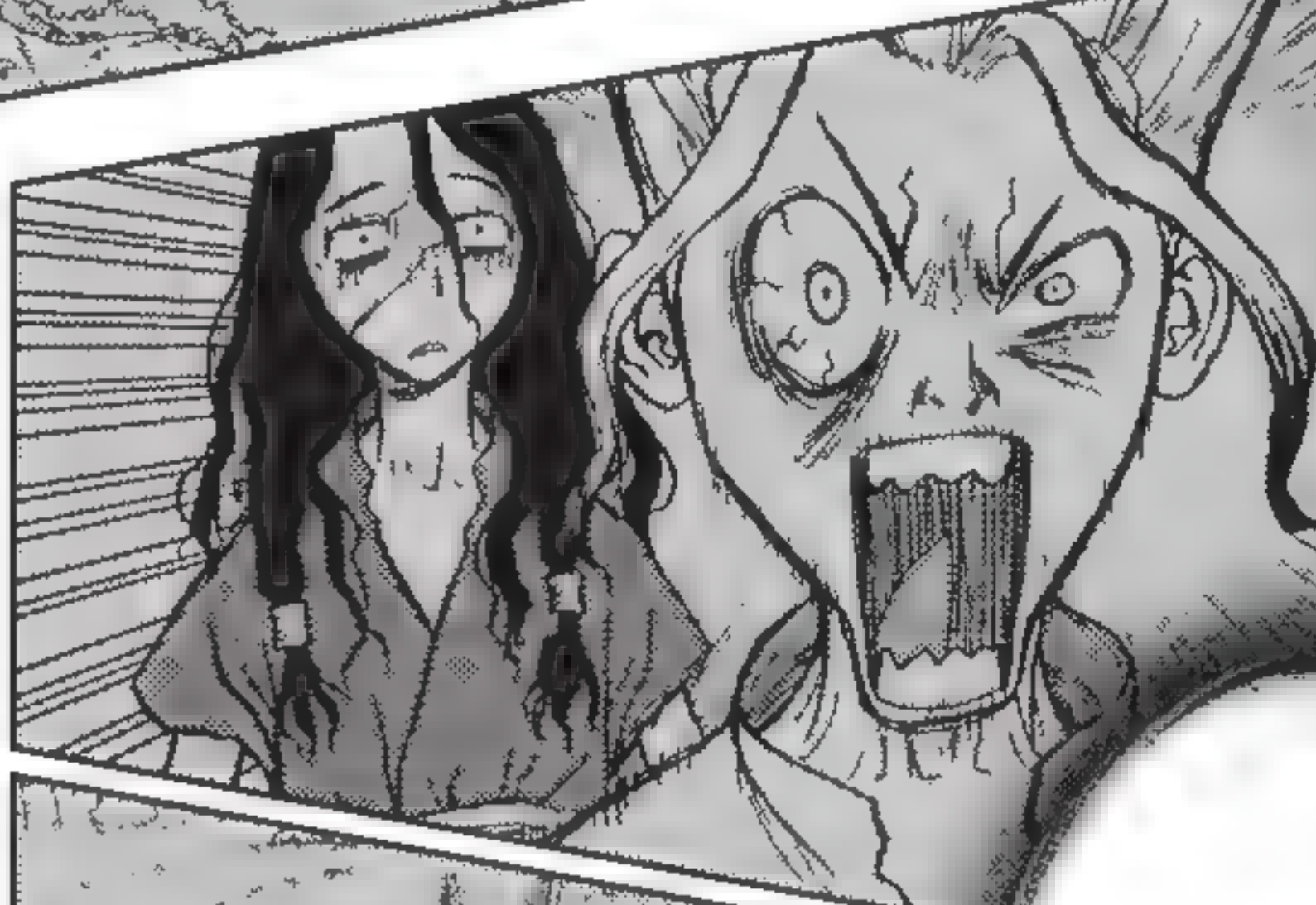
SENKU!!



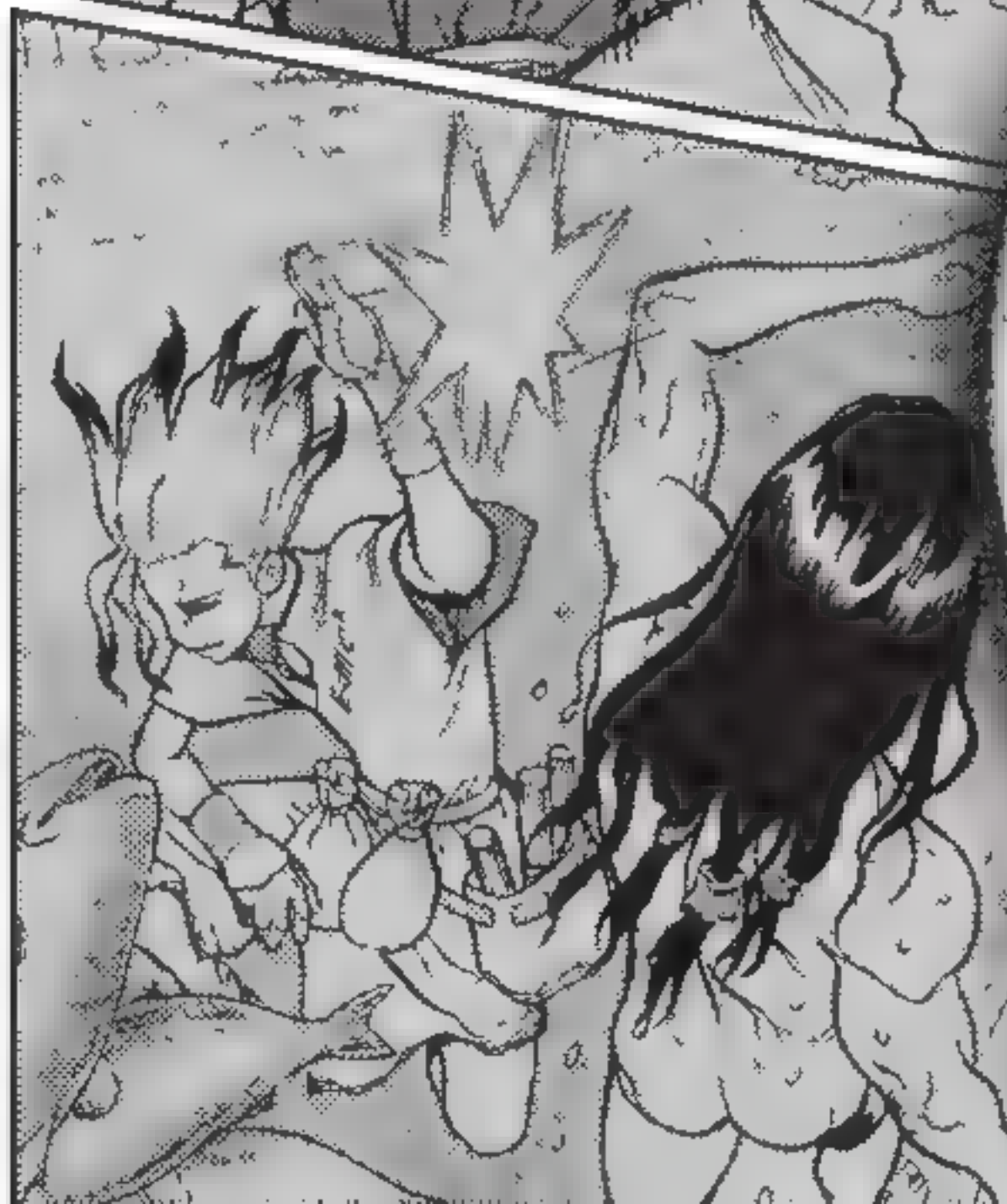
...3,700
YEARS
SOONER...

SENKU.

IF WE
HAD ONLY
MET...



IF WE'D
MET...



...BEFORE
THIS PLANET
BECAME
A STONE
WORLD...





MAYBE.

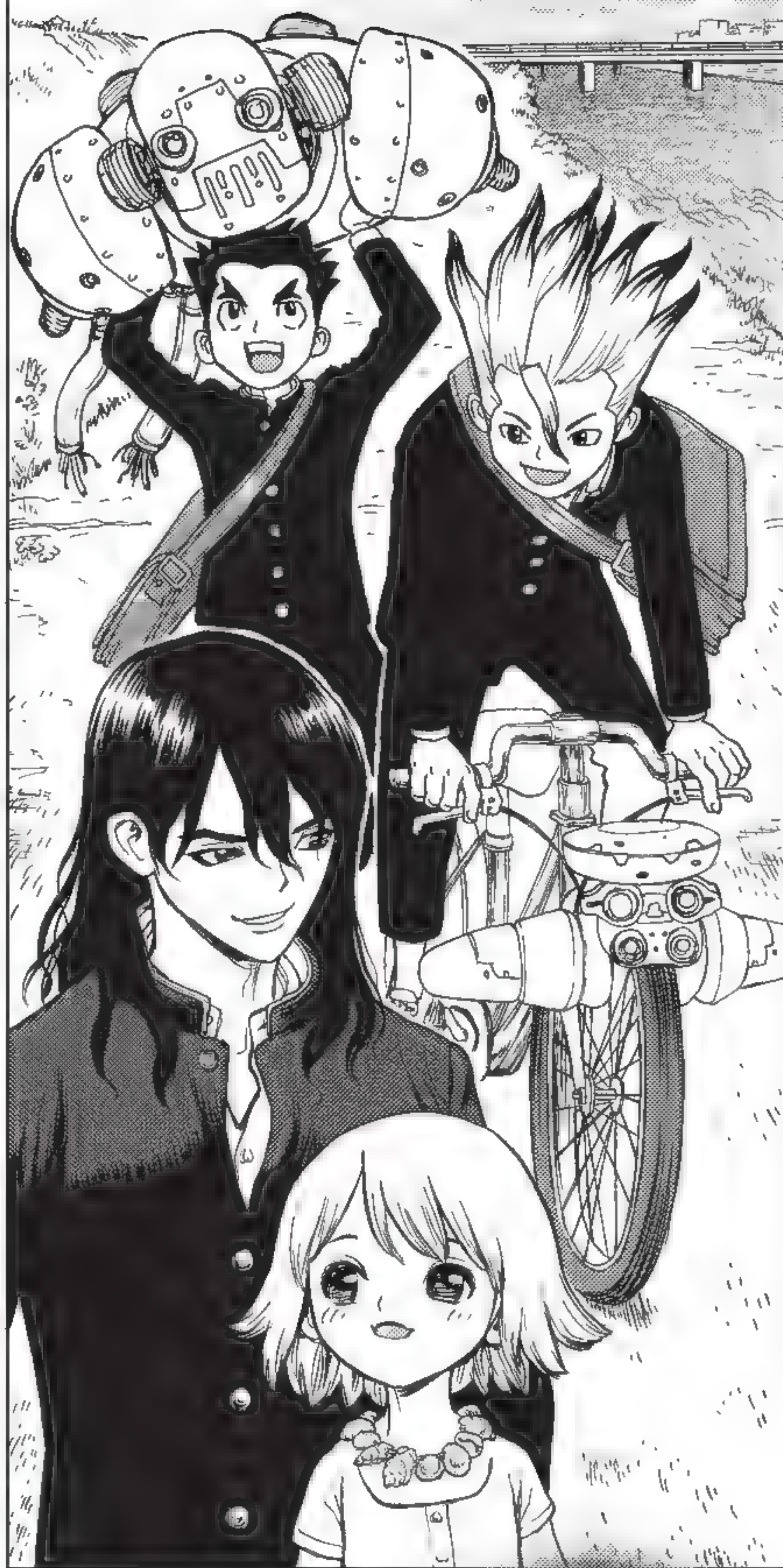
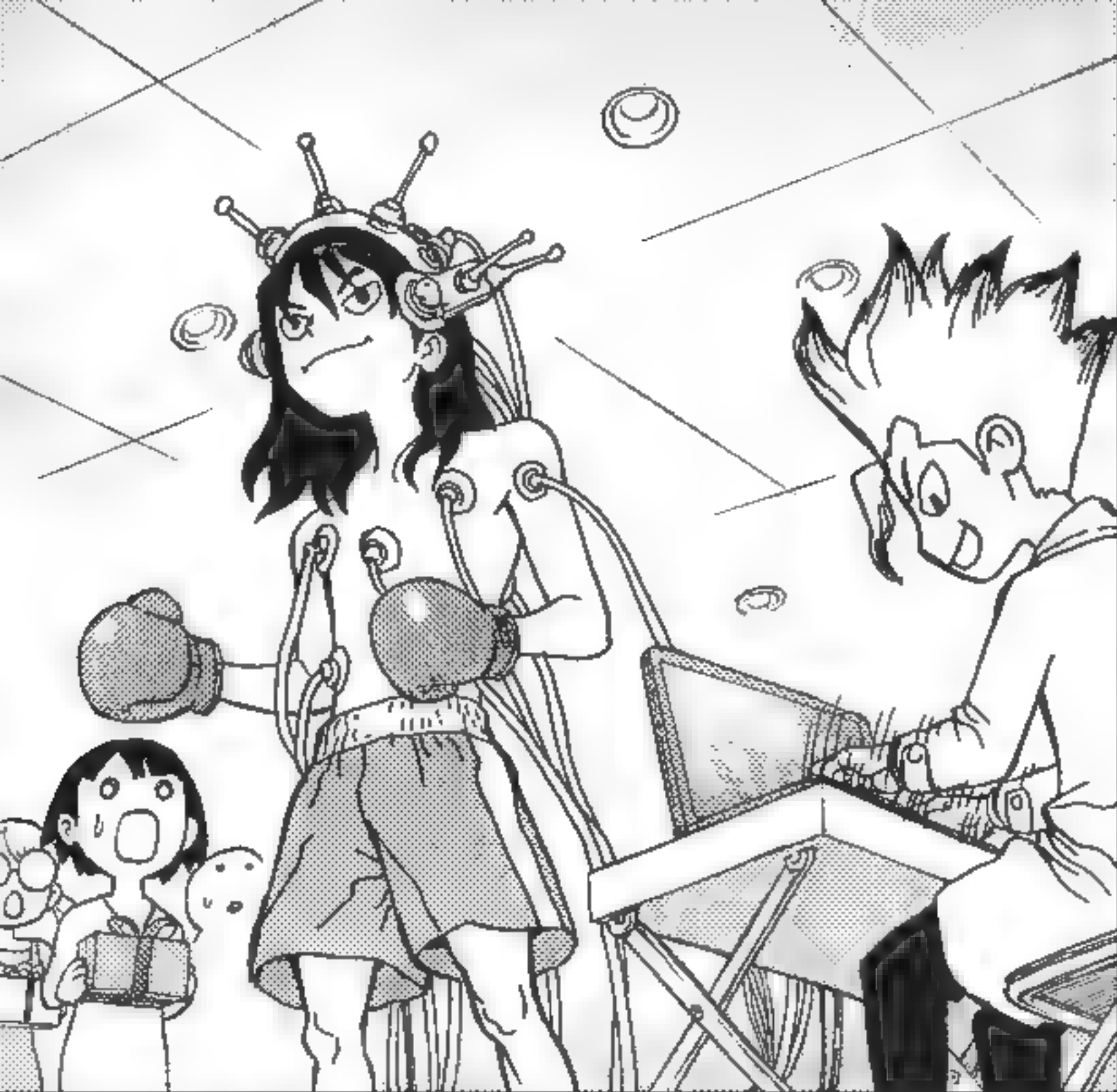




Z=11: Weapon of Science



SENKU.
IF WE
HAD ONLY
MET...



...MY FIRST
FRIEND
EVER.

YOU JUST
MIGHT'VE
BEEN...



SENKU
!!

THIS
CAN'T BE
HAPPEN-
ING!

COME ON,
MAN. TALK
TO ME... SAY
SOMETHING,
PLEASE!



YOU CAN'T
SERIOUSLY
DIE ON
ME LIKE
THIS!!

SENKU.
YOU CAN'T...
NOT HERE.



AND I
TRUST
THAT YOU,
AS HIS
FRIENDS...

HE FELT
NO PAIN.

...WILL
GIVE
HIM A
PROPER
BURIAL.



AAAAAAAAAAAAH!





THE
POWER
BALANCE
WAS IN MY
FAVOR.



...I KNEW
FULL WELL
THAT TAIJU
COULDN'T
ATTACK
ME.

WHEN
I TOOK
YUZURIHA
HOSTAGE...



...I'LL
HAVE TO
KILL YOU
TOO.

IF YOU LOSE
YOURSELF
AND COME
AT ME
NOW...

BUT NOW,
TAIJU...! IF
SENKU'S DEATH
THROWS YOU
INTO A BLIND
RAGE...

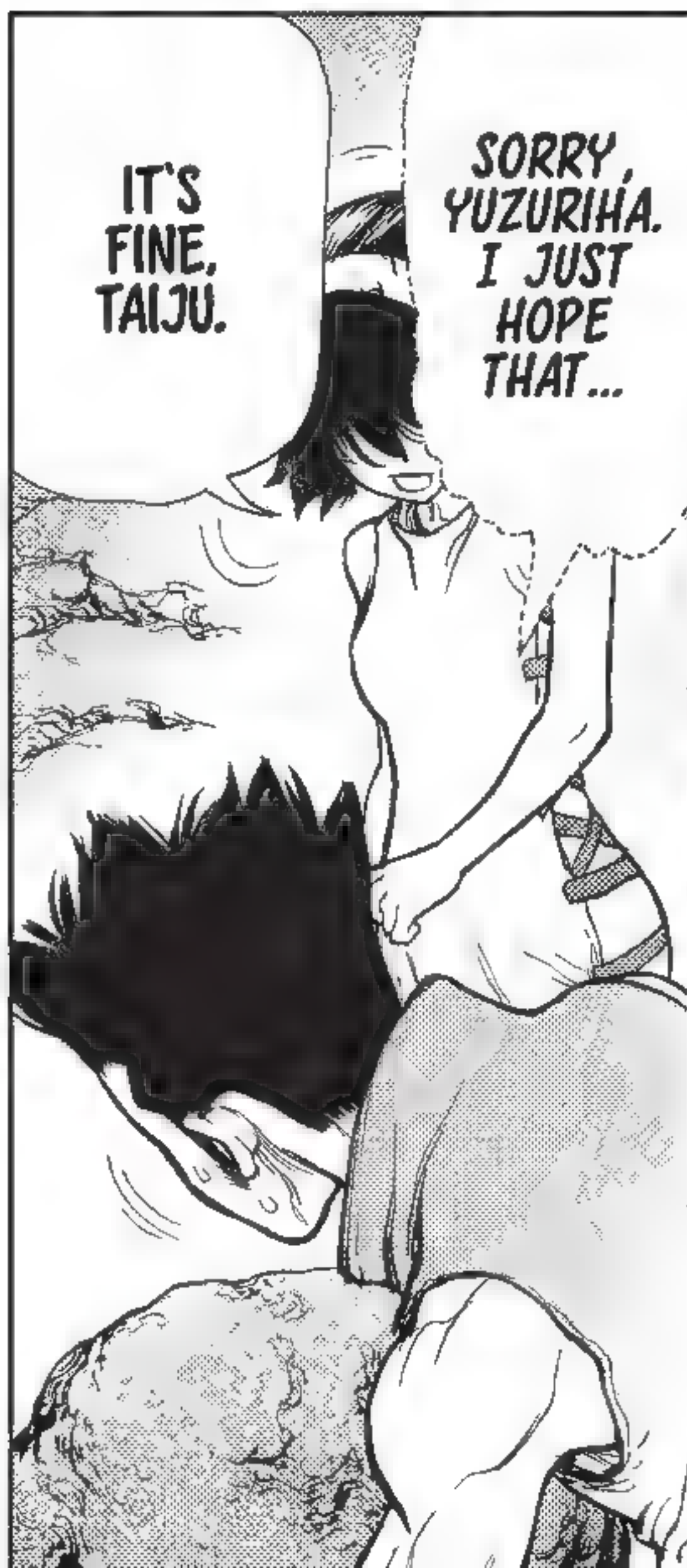




TAIJU
...?!

SO
PLEASE...

KEEP
YOUR
COOL





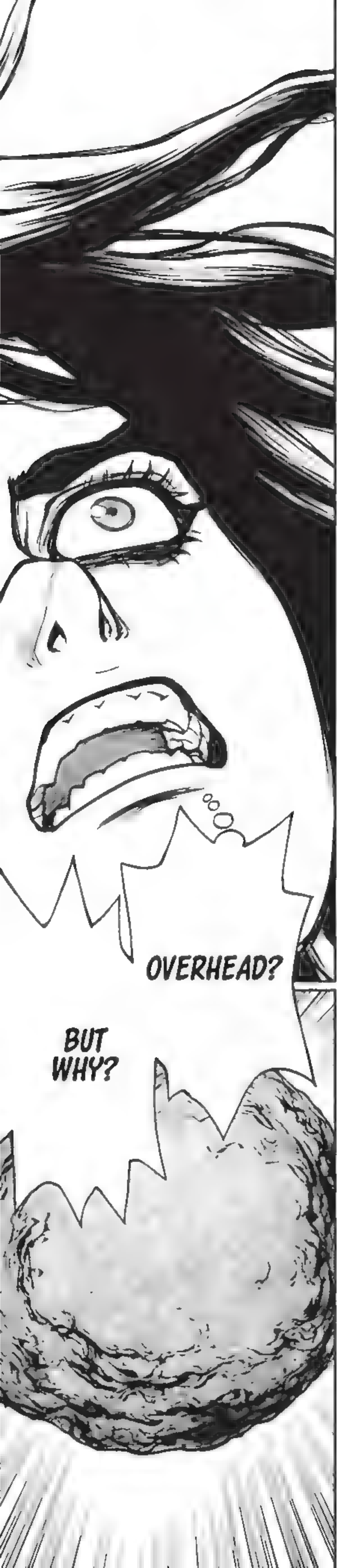
**THIS'LL
WORK.**

**I'M SURE
OF IT.**

**THE
THREE OF US
PROMISED
EACH OTHER,
BACK THEN.**

YEAH!

**THANKS,
YUZURIHA!**



OVERHEAD?

BUT
WHY?



RAA
AA
AAH!



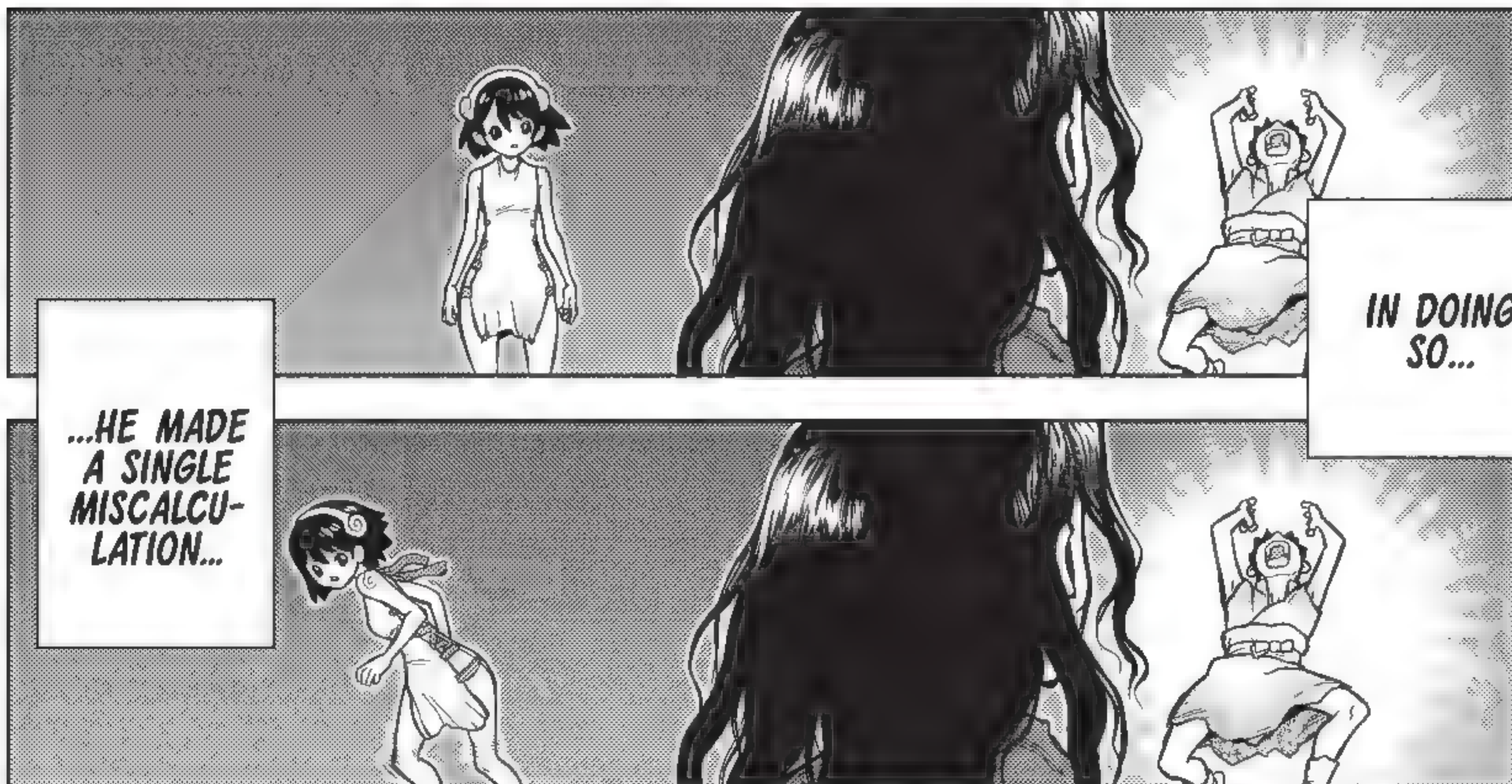
WHILE
TRACING
THE
STONE'S
ARC...

...TSUKASA
REFUSED
TO TAKE
HIS EYES
OFF TAIJU.



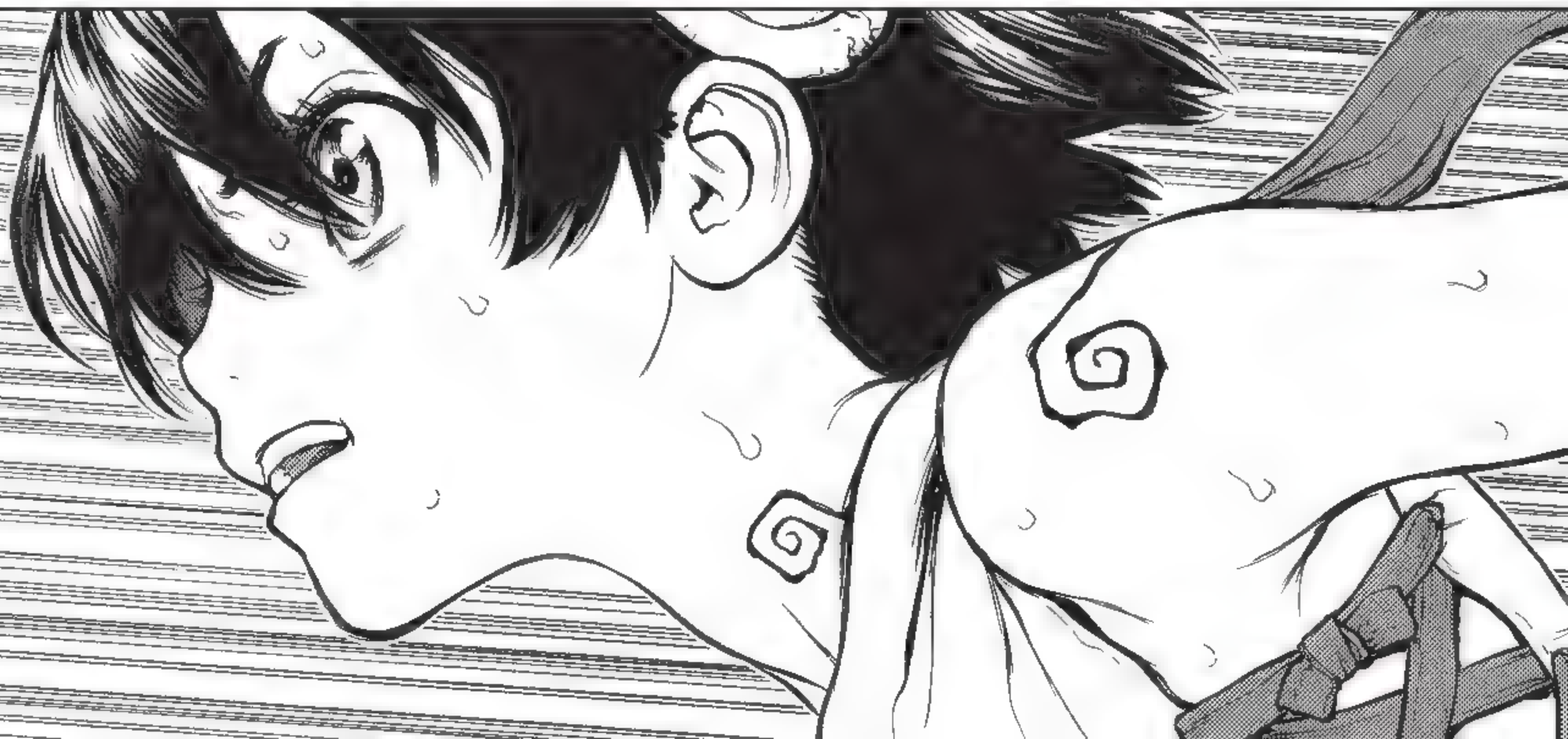
...WAS THE
POSSIBILITY
THAT THE
STONE WAS
SIMPLY BAIT.

WHAT PUT THE
STRONGEST
PRIMATE
ON GUARD
IN THAT
MOMENT...



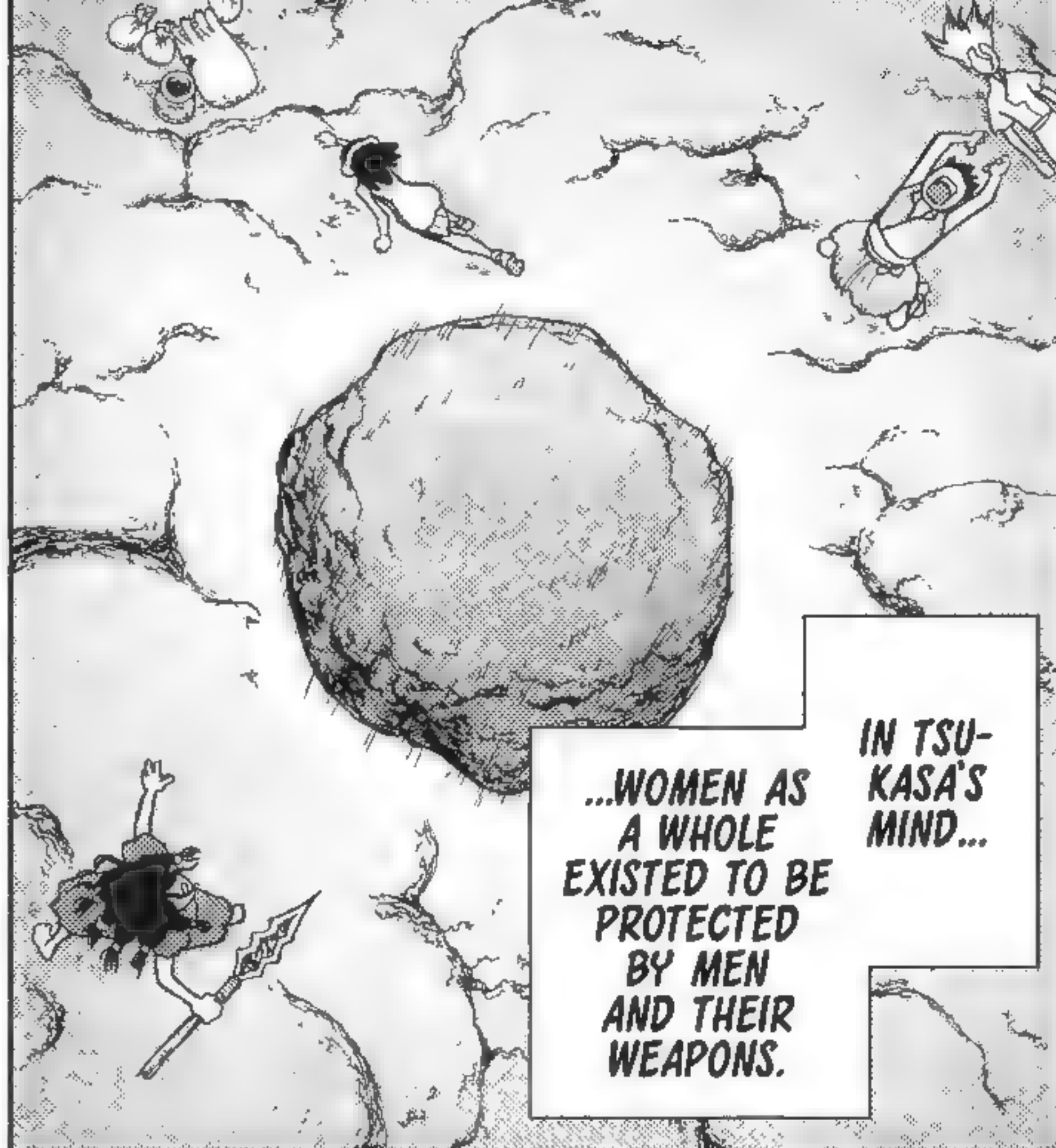
...HE MADE
A SINGLE
MISCALCU-
LATION...

IN DOING
SO...



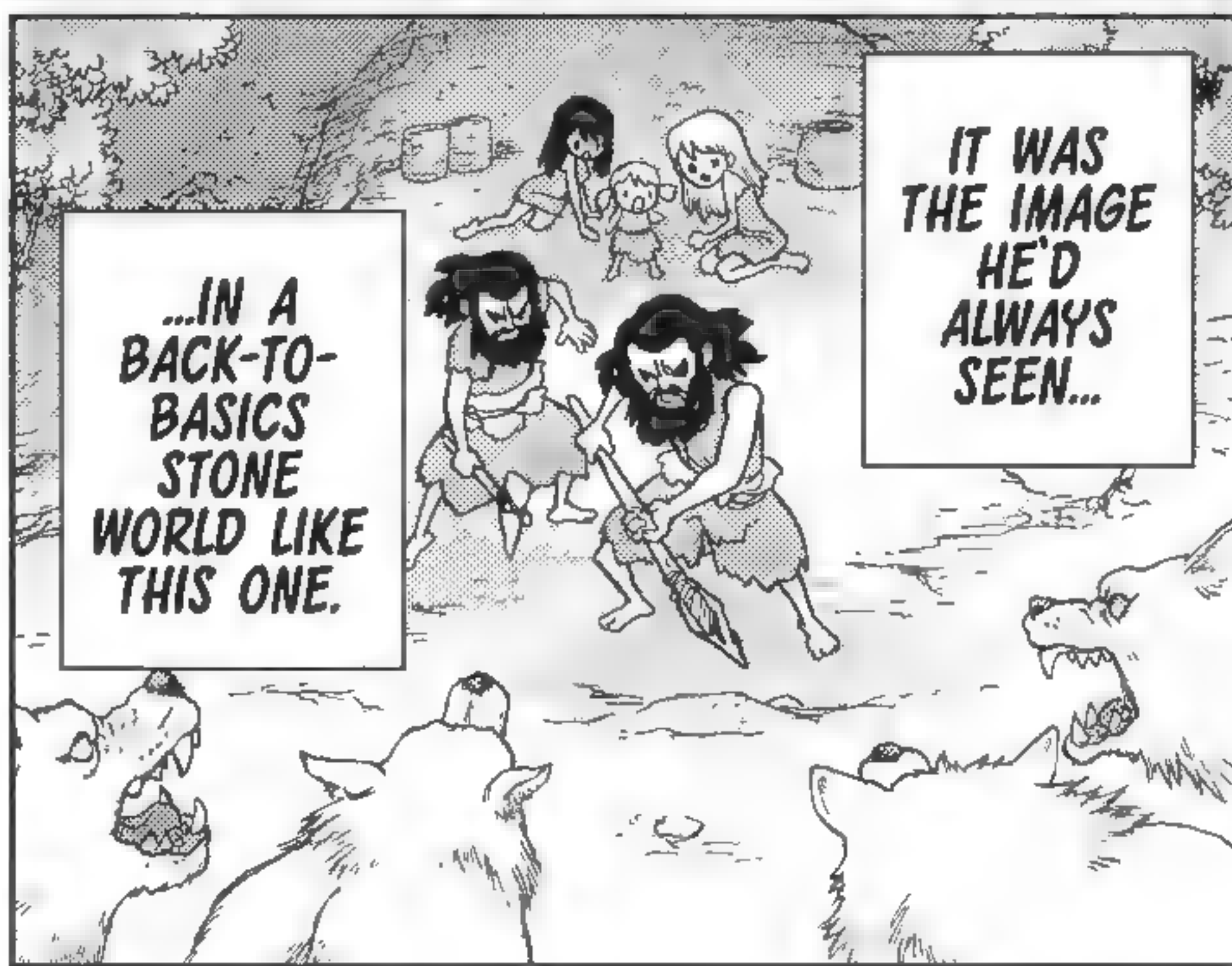


HOWEVER...



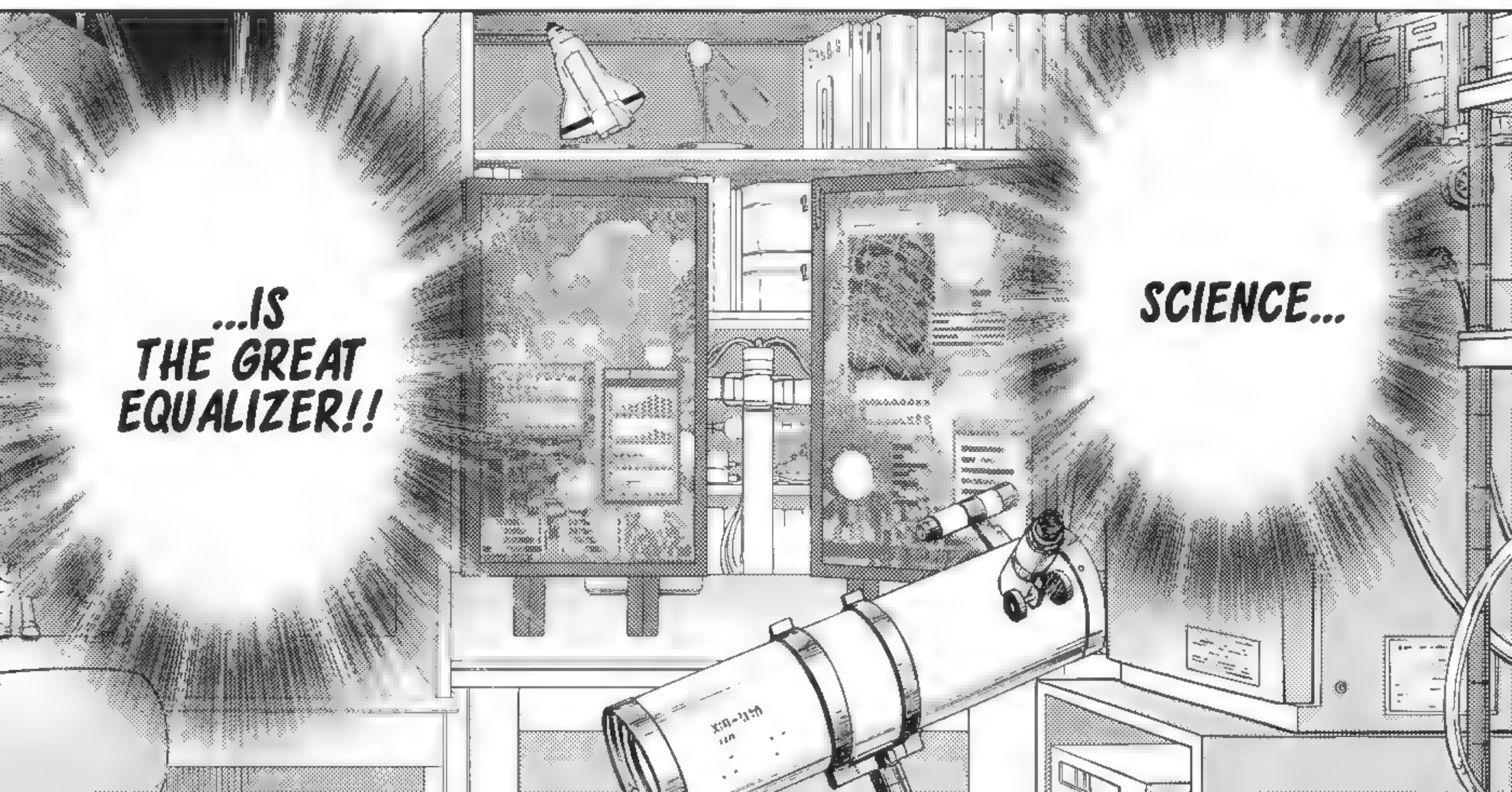
**...WOMEN AS
A WHOLE
EXISTED TO BE
PROTECTED
BY MEN
AND THEIR
WEAPONS.**

**IN TSU-
KASA'S
MIND...**



**...IN A
BACK-TO-
BASICS
STONE
WORLD LIKE
THIS ONE.**

**IT WAS
THE IMAGE
HE'D
ALWAYS
SEEN...**



**...IS
THE GREAT
EQUALIZER!!**

SCIENCE...





WH

AP

WHAT...?

BLACK
POWDER...?



**SENKU'S
PARTING
GIFT.**

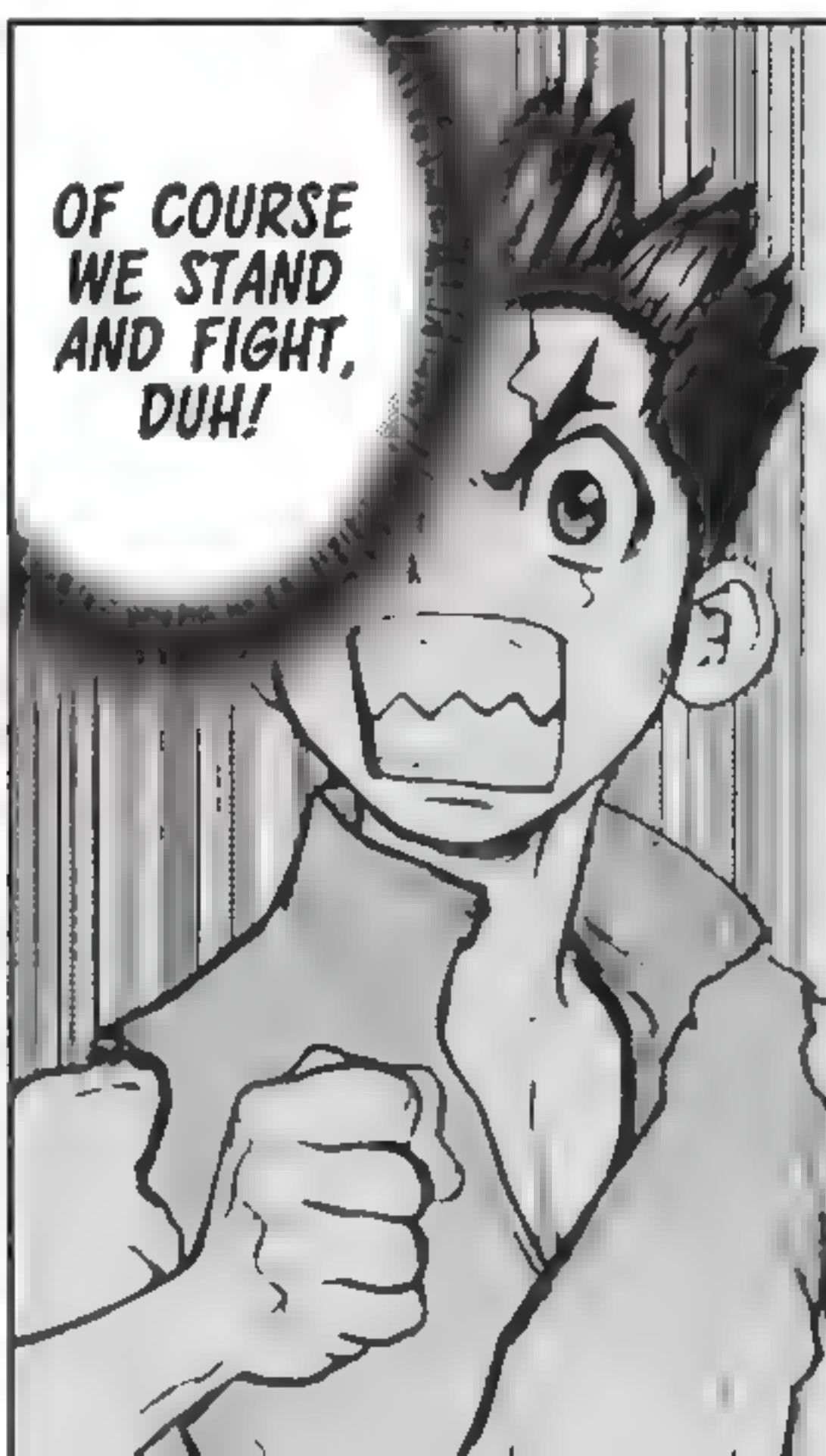
**THE
ULTIMATE
WEAPON
AGAINST
TSUKASA.**

**A
MEMENTO
OF
SCIENCE.**

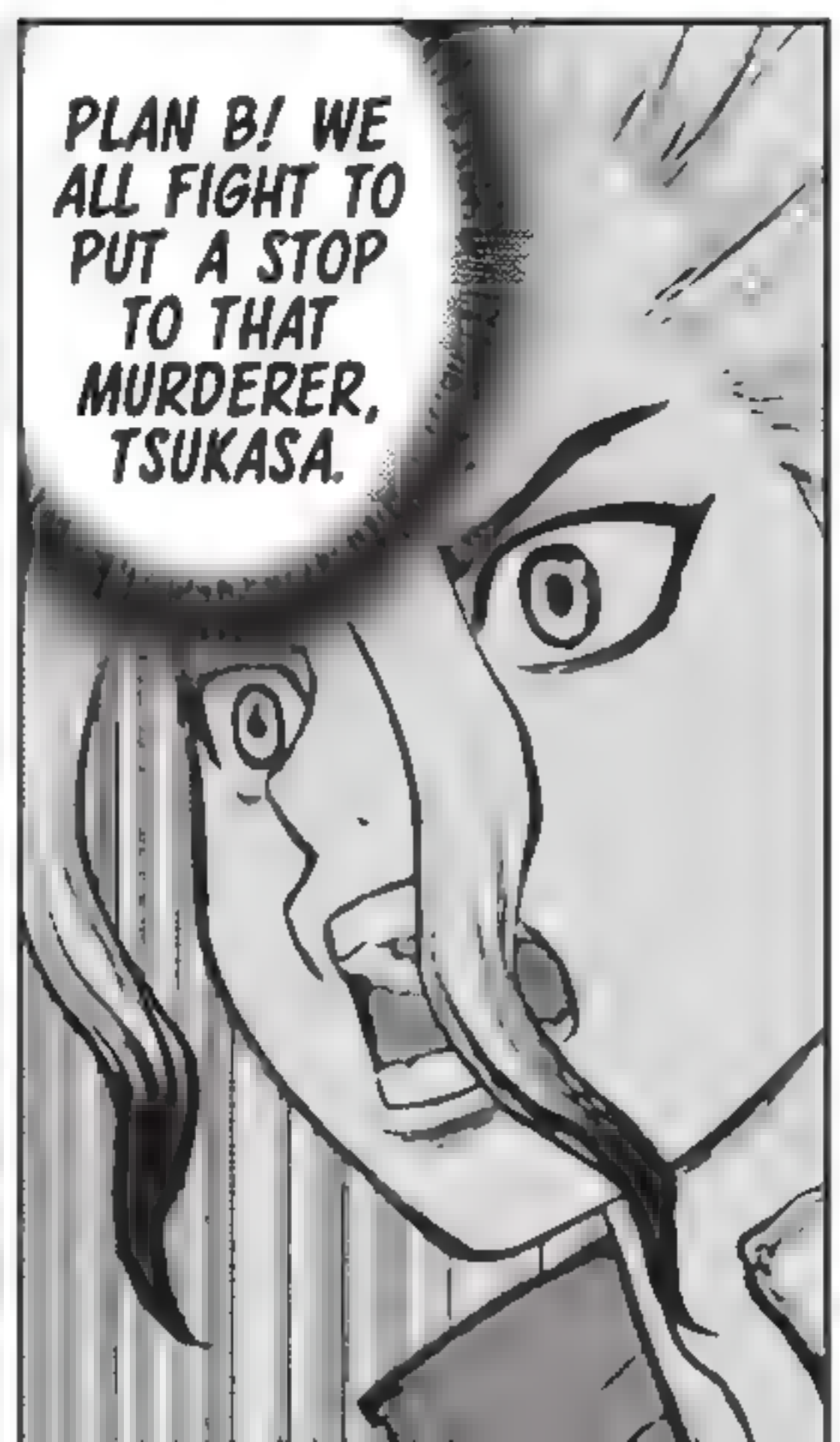
**THIS IS THE
REBIRTH
OF BLACK
POWDER!**



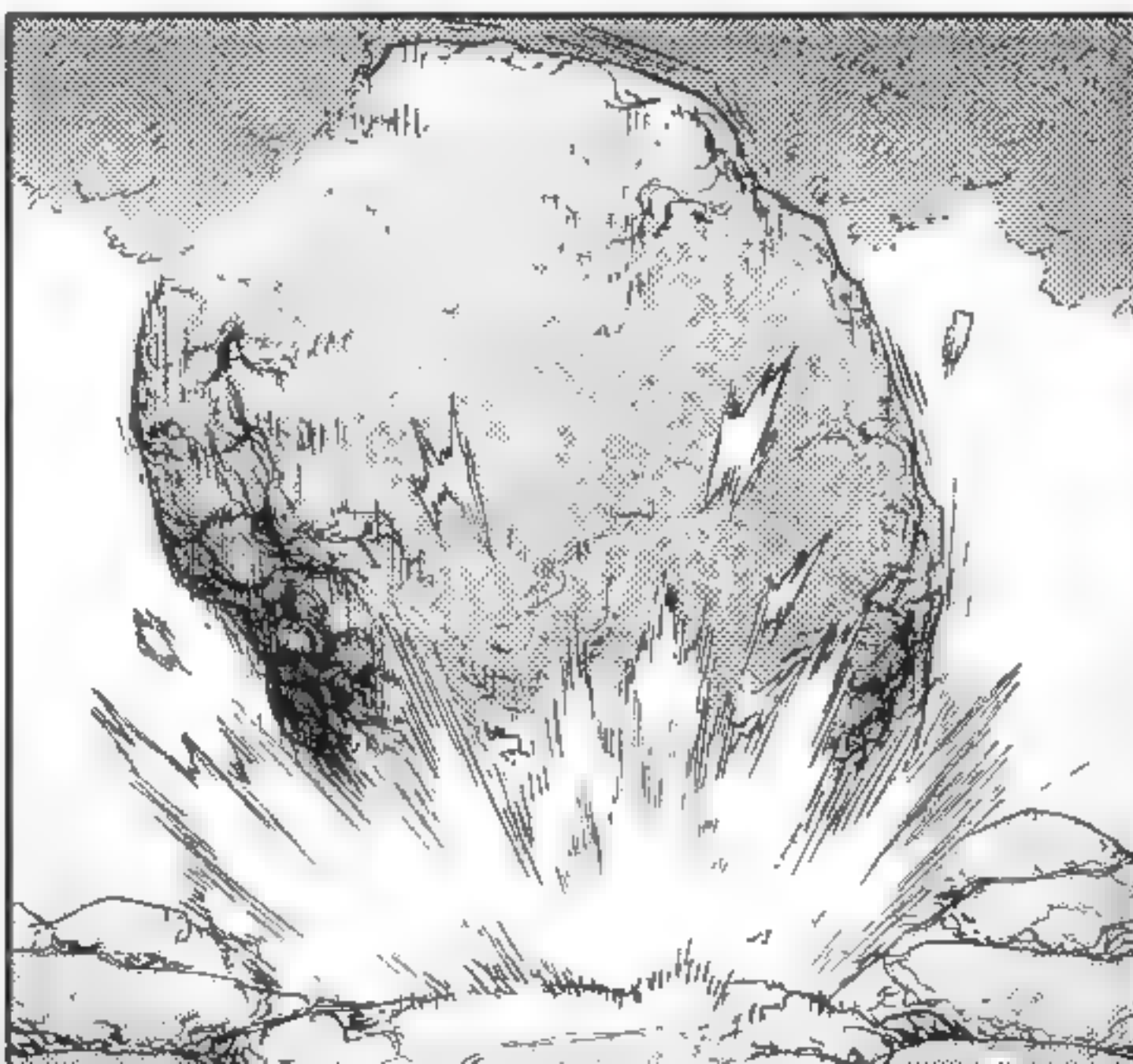
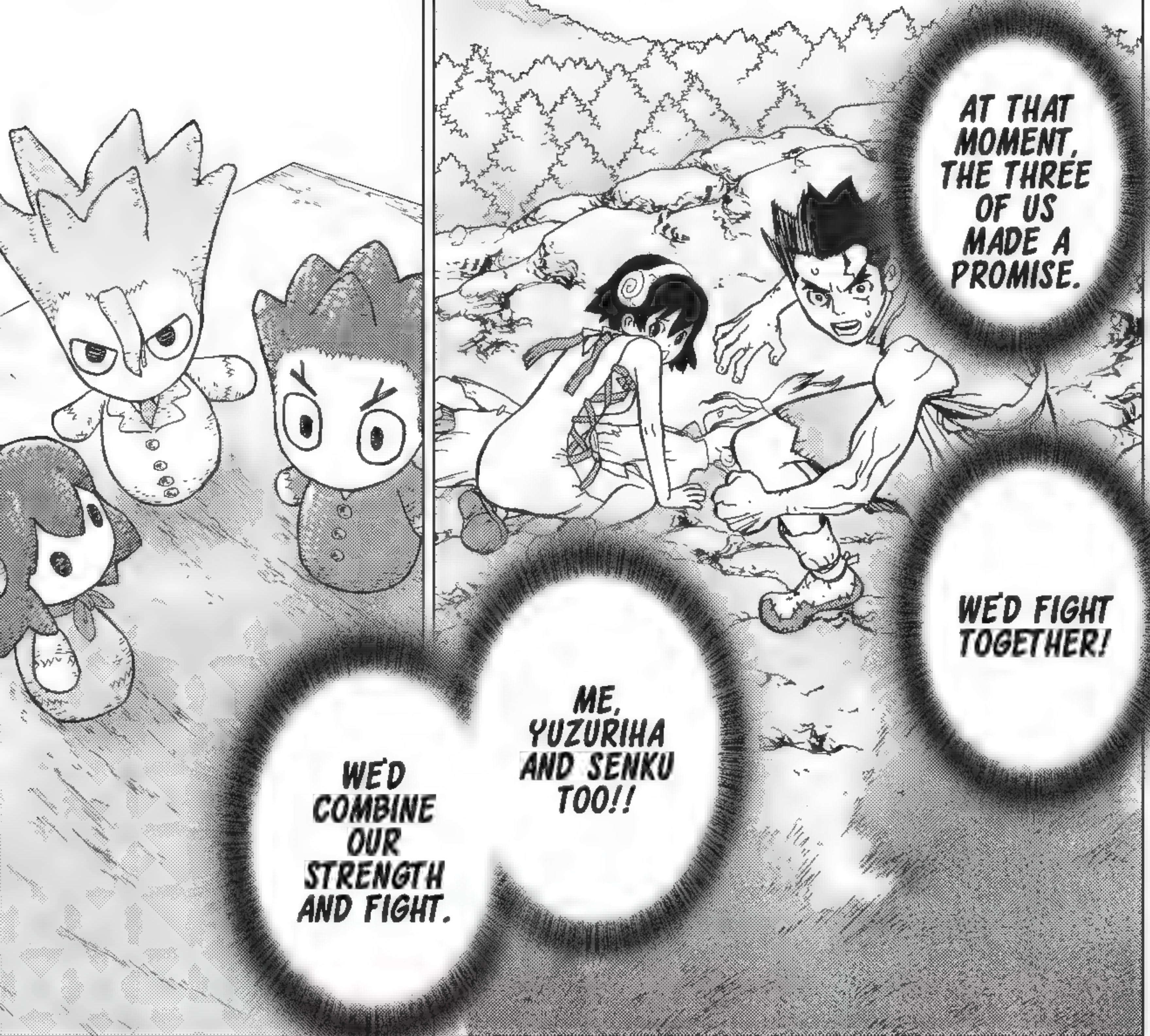
**UH-HUH...
STILL NOT
SURE WHAT'S
HAPPENING,
BUT I'LL DO
WHATEVER
I CAN TO
HELP.**



**OF COURSE
WE STAND
AND FIGHT,
DUH!**



**PLAN B! WE
ALL FIGHT TO
PUT A STOP
TO THAT
MURDERER,
TSUKASA.**





GOOD-
BYE...

TSUKASA!



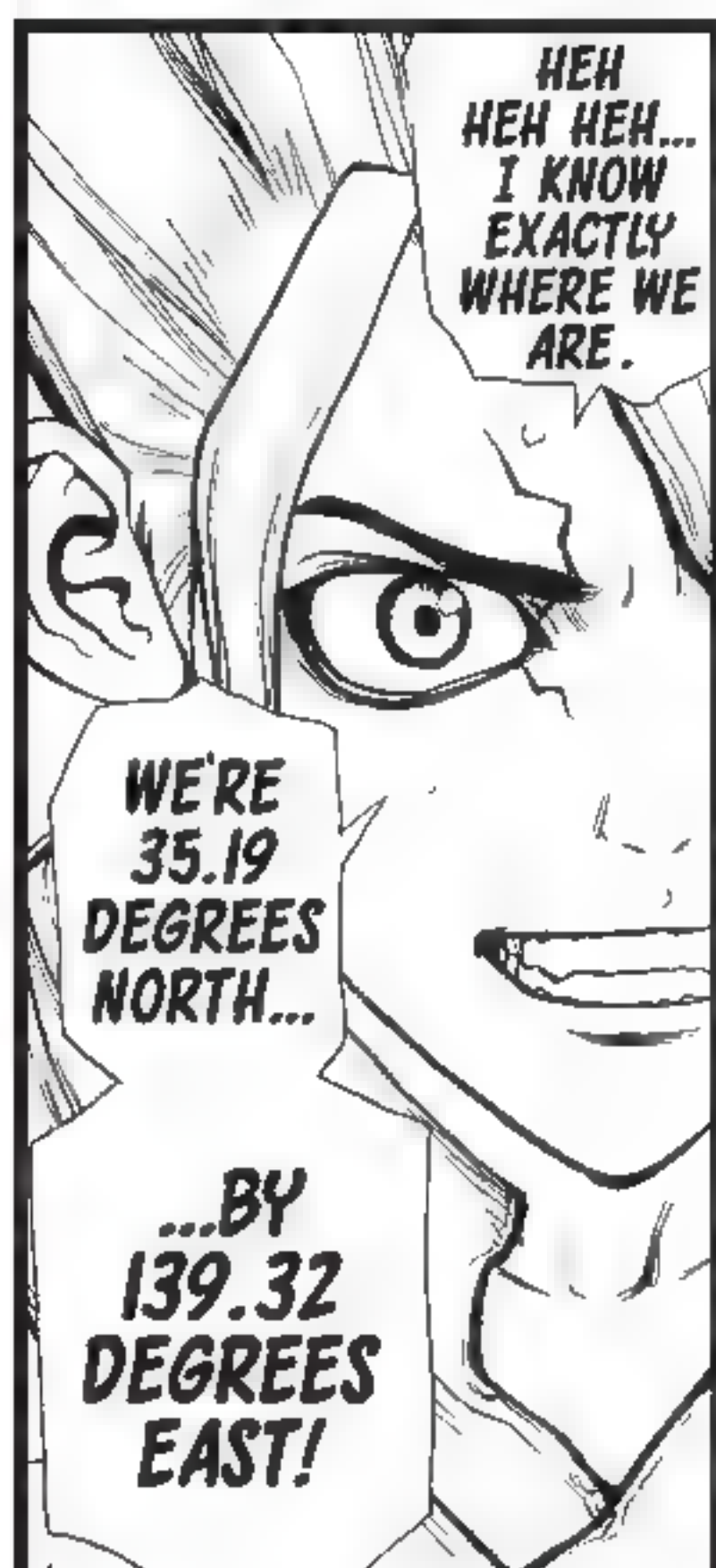
**MECHA
SENKU**

Q & A

SEARCH

Question Corner

When Senku arrives at the Great Buddha of Kamakura, he spits out the coordinates just like that. Does he just know the coordinates of everything? That's nuts!!



Y.N. from Tokyo

SEARCH

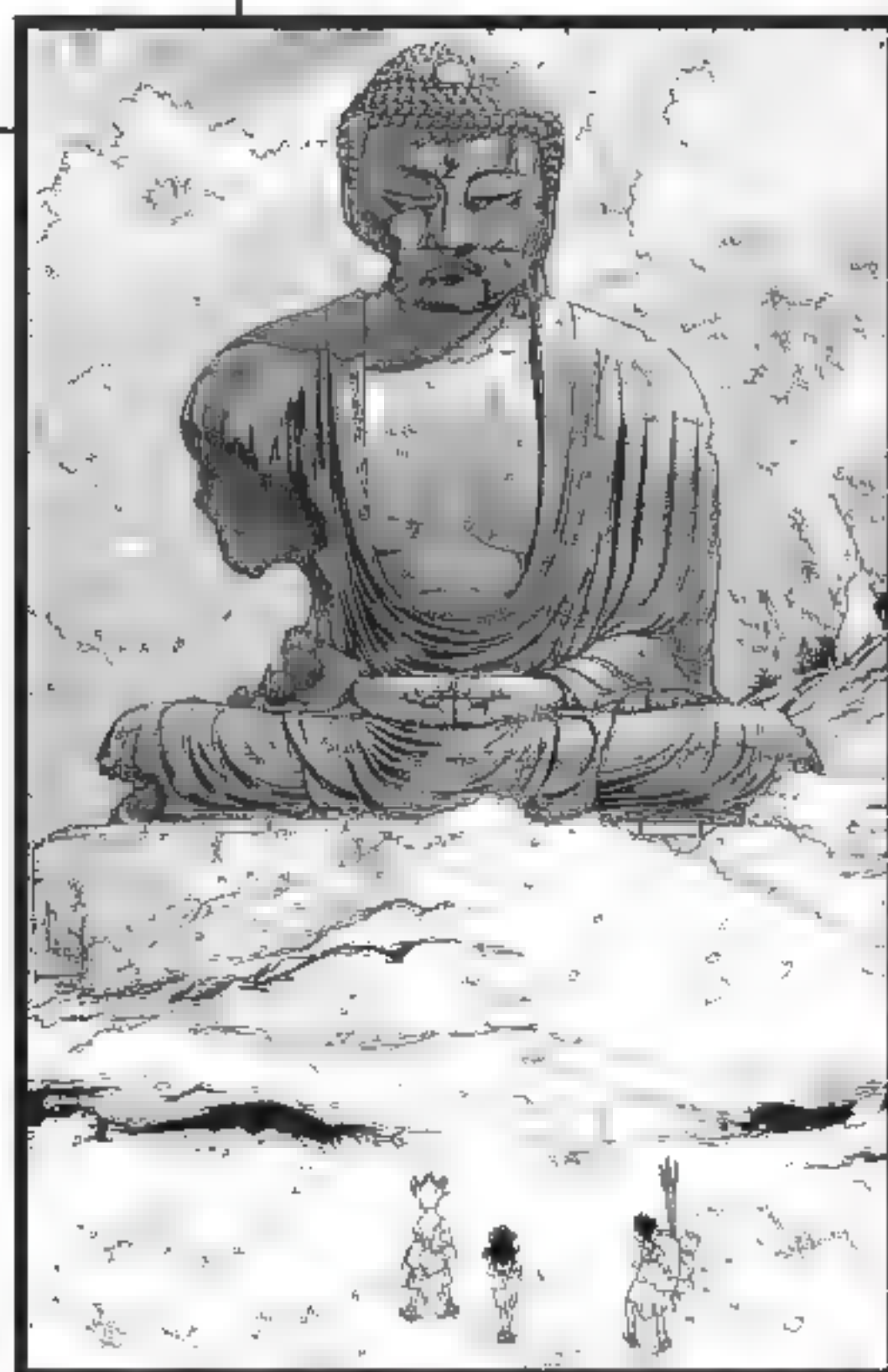


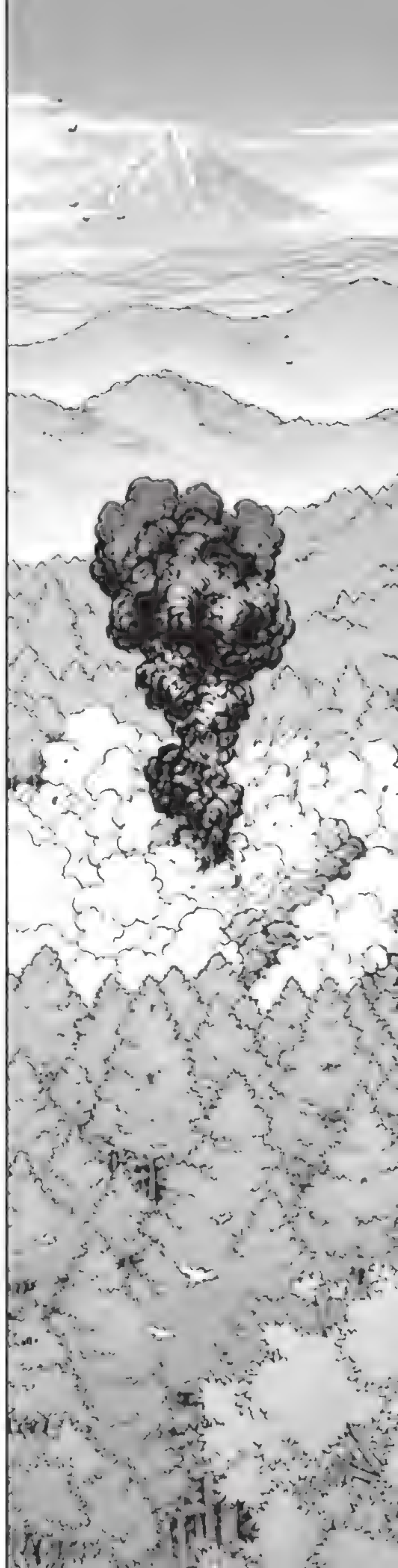
You'd have to have superpowers to do that. I just memorized this one. That's all.

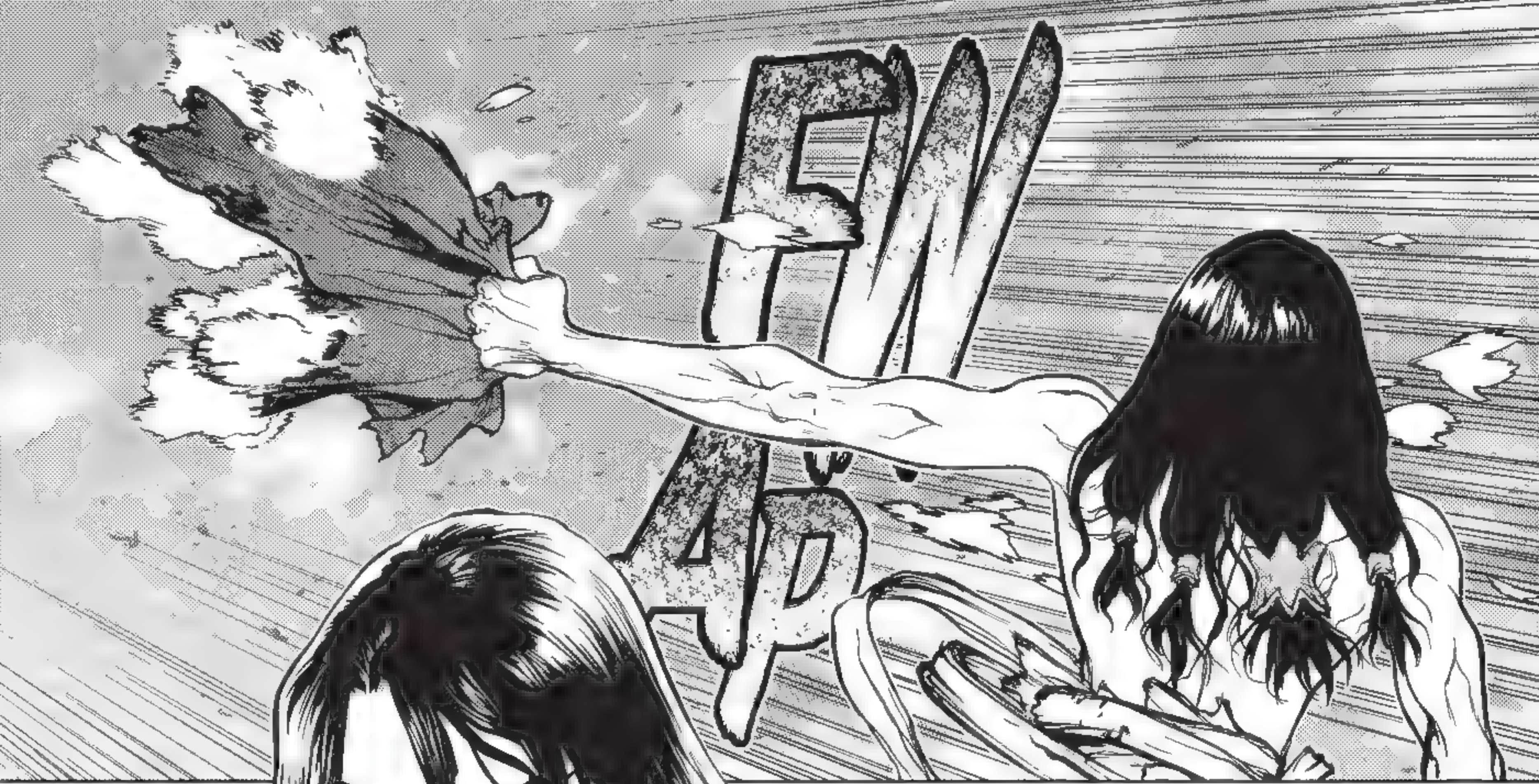
Senku may act all casual about it, but there is a valid explanation!



The Great Buddha lies at 35.1900 north latitude. That's precisely 19 seconds! Its longitude is 139.3208, which places it remarkably close to an even 32 seconds! "Did they build it there with that in mind?" "And in an era when taking measurements like that would've been difficult!" "What a crazy coincidence!!" A good scientist never leaves the little questions unasked!!









...TO
CREATE
AN
ESCAPE
ROUTE!

GOTTA
SPLIT THE
BLAST IN
TWO...



THAT'S...

...BLACK
POWDER...



TAIJU
REFUSES
TO ATTACK
PEOPLE...

...SO HE
LIKELY DIDN'T
EXPECT ME
TO GET HURT
FROM THAT.

TSUKASA!

GOODBYE...

**...WHAT
HE
MEANT...**

**SO
THAT'S...**

**HA
HA
HA**

**HA
HA
HA**

**HA
HA
HA**

**HA
HA
HA**

**THAT'S
RIGHT,
SENKU!**

**I DON'T
GIVE A
CRAP
WHAT
ANYONE
SAYS.**

**YOU'RE
NOT
DYING
ON ME!**

**WE'VE
ONLY JUST
STARTED
BRINGING
BACK
CIVILIZA-
TION.**

**...AND
YOU'RE NOT
THE KIND
OF GUY TO
LEAVE A
JOB HALF-
DONE!**

**THIS
IS OUR
GETAWAY!!**

**WHEN
WE MAKE
OUR
MOVE TO
RUN...**

**...IT'S
GOTTA BE
THE BOTH
OF US!!**



TU
MP

TIME TO
GIVE YOUR
HEART A
MASSAGE!

TU
MP
TU
MP

BUT IT'S
ALL I
CAN DO!

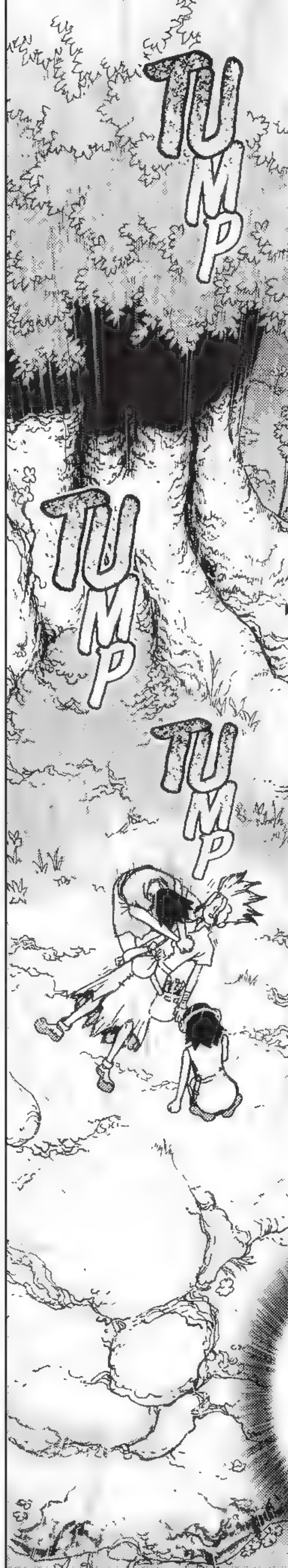
NO CLUE
IF I'M
DOING IT
RIGHT!



BAM

WAIT!

WHAT
ABOUT
CPR
?!



TU
MP

TU
MP

TU
MP



DR
MB
BB

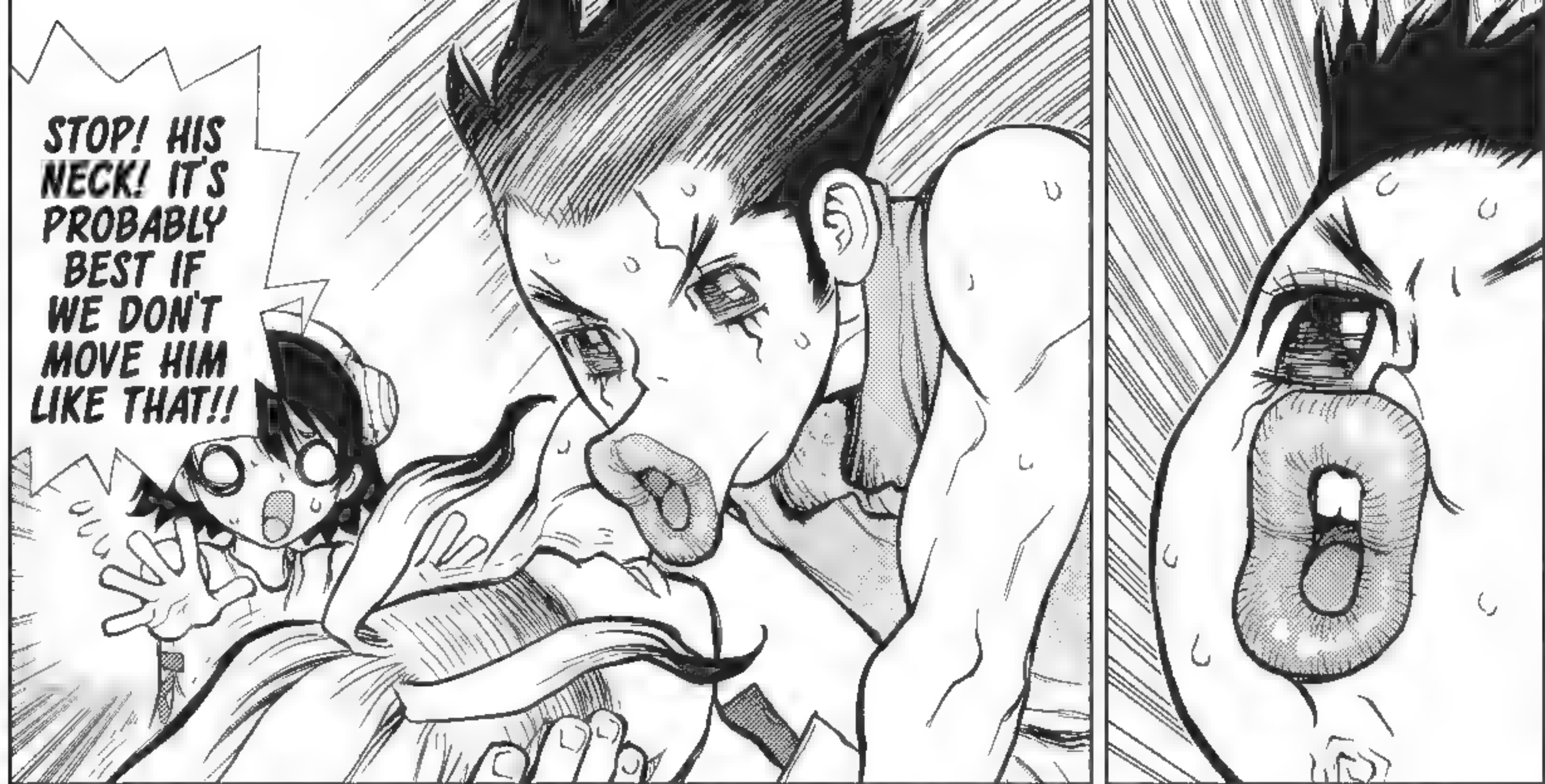
DR
MB
BB



I KNOW
FOR A FACT
I SNAPPED
HIS
CERVICAL
PLEXUS.

...ANY
ATTEMPT
TO BRING
HIM BACK
WILL BE
FUTILE.

IN THIS
STONE
WORLD
WITHOUT
MODERN
MEDICAL
CARE...

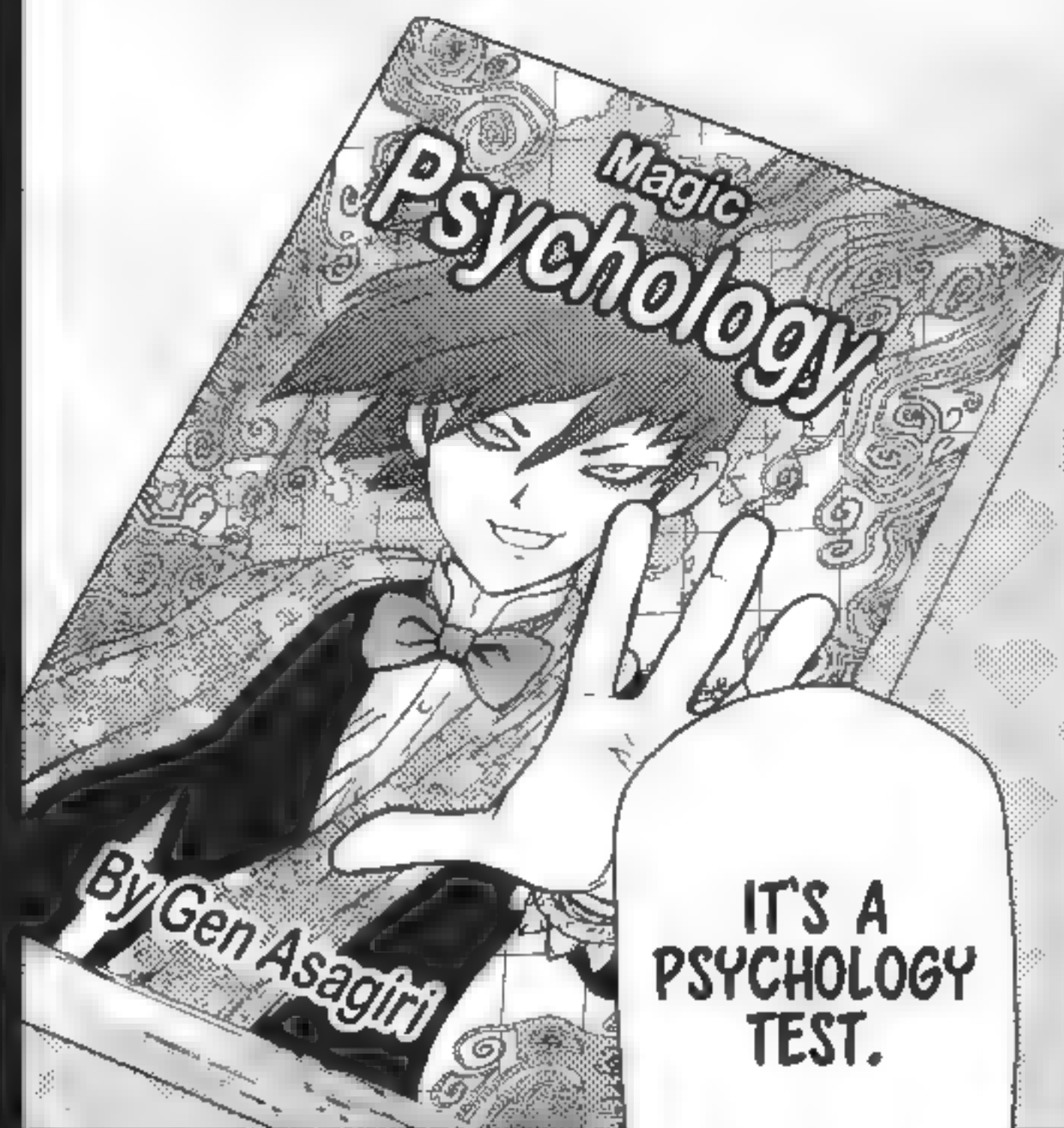




ALL OF US.

FROM THE VERY START...

...I'D FIND A WAY TO SAVE EVERYONE!



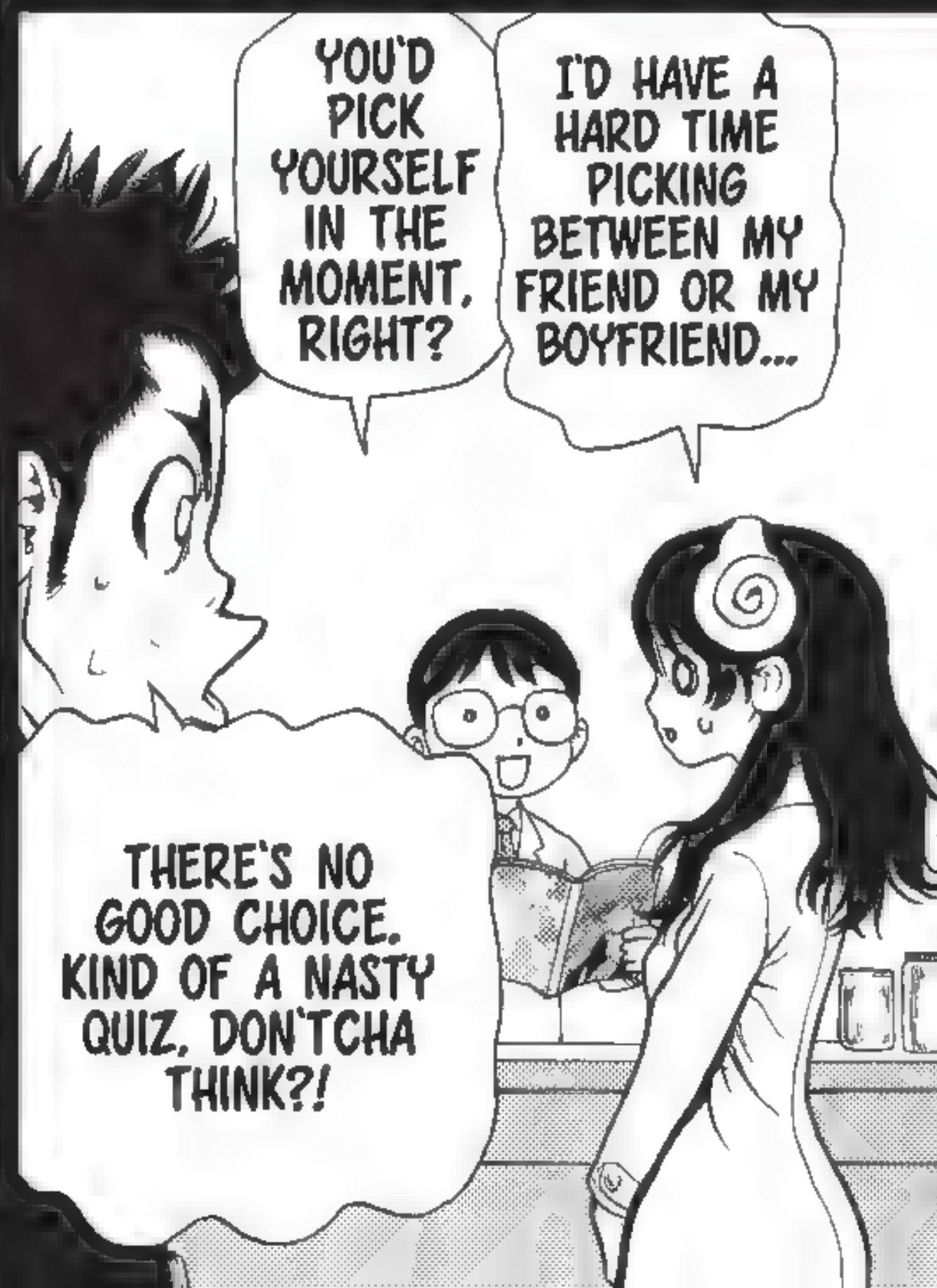
IT'S A PSYCHOLOGY TEST.



IMAGINE THERE'S A TERRIBLE ACCIDENT.

"YOU CAN ONLY SAVE YOURSELF, YOUR FRIEND OR YOUR SIGNIFICANT OTHER."

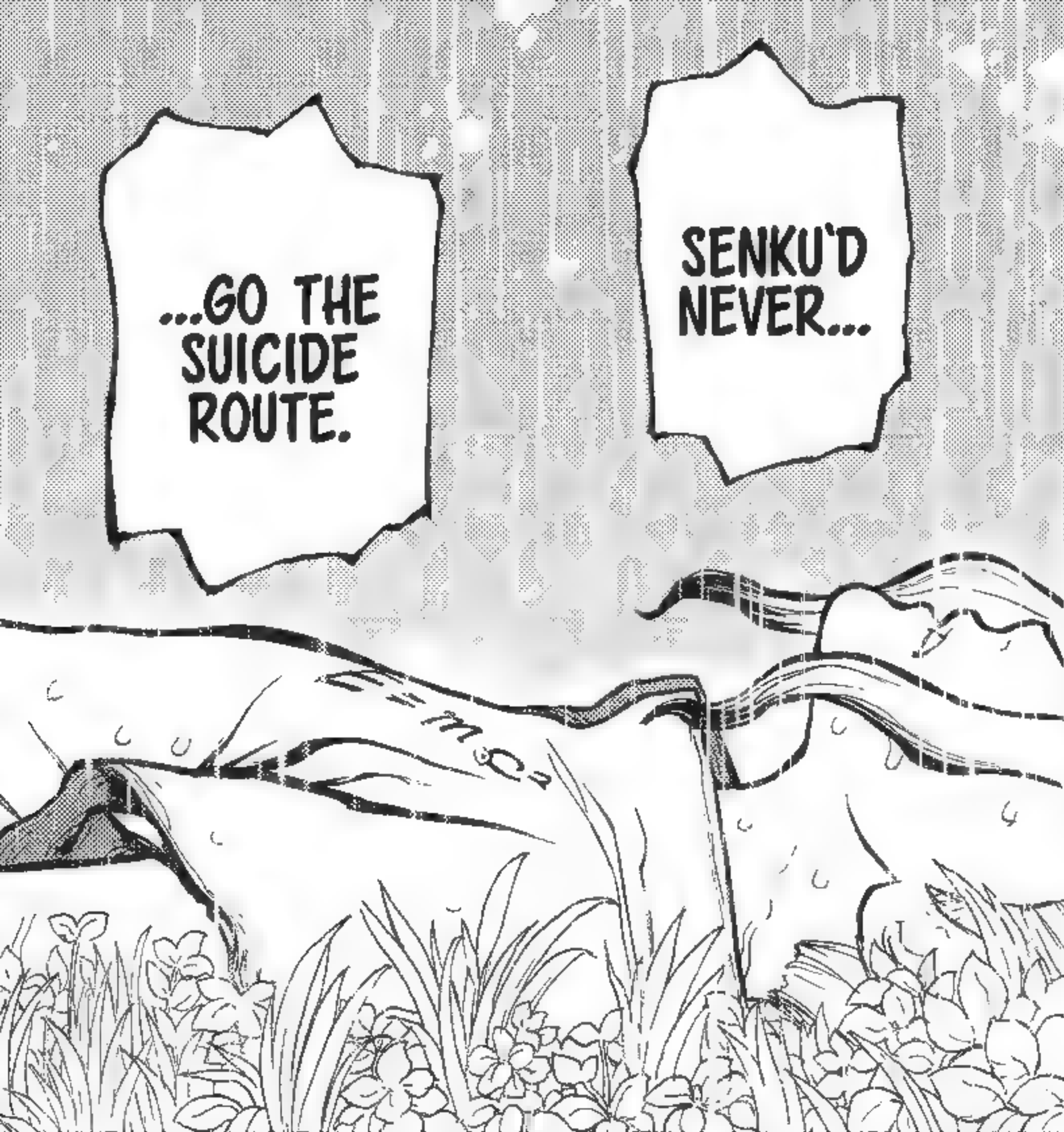
WHICH DO YOU CHOOSE?



YOU'D PICK YOURSELF IN THE MOMENT, RIGHT?

I'D HAVE A HARD TIME PICKING BETWEEN MY FRIEND OR MY BOYFRIEND...

THERE'S NO GOOD CHOICE. KIND OF A NASTY QUIZ, DON'TCHA THINK?!



SENKU'D NEVER...

...GO THE SUICIDE ROUTE.



HE'D PREVENT ANY SACRIFICES ALTOGETHER.

HE'D BET THE WHOLE GAME...

...ON SOME CLEVER WAY TO SAVE US ALL!



THINK BACK, ABOUT SENKU!

WE'RE HIS FRIENDS, SO THERE'S GOTTA BE SOMETHING!

ANY-THING!

A HINT
....!!



OH, THAT'S THE SORT OF ANSWER WE'D EXPECT FROM THE SCIENCE CLUB PRESIDENT...

WAIT, THAT'S AN OPTION? I PICK THAT ONE TOO, THEN!

ANYWAY, WHAT THIS TEST REALLY REVEALS IS WHO THE MOST IMPORTANT PERSON TO YOU IS.

WELL, THAT'S TEN BILLION PERCENT OBVIOUS! WHAT GARBAGE DUMP DID YOU FIND THAT BOOK IN?!

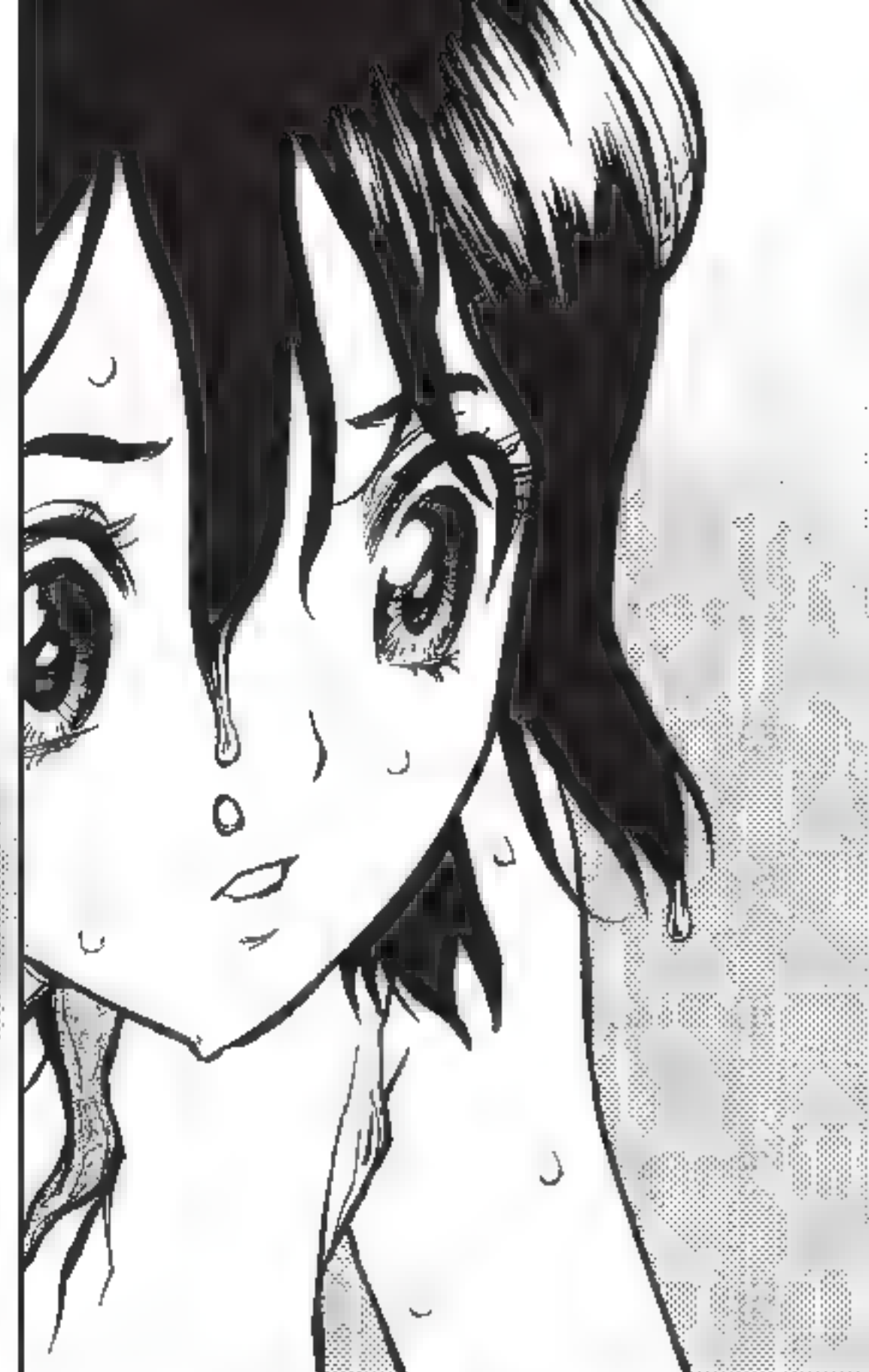


HIS
NECK.



TRY TO
FINISH ME
IN ONE
HIT, 'KAY?

IT
WOULDN'T BE
LOGICAL TO HAVE
BLOOD GUSHING
EVERYWHERE.



R
D
M
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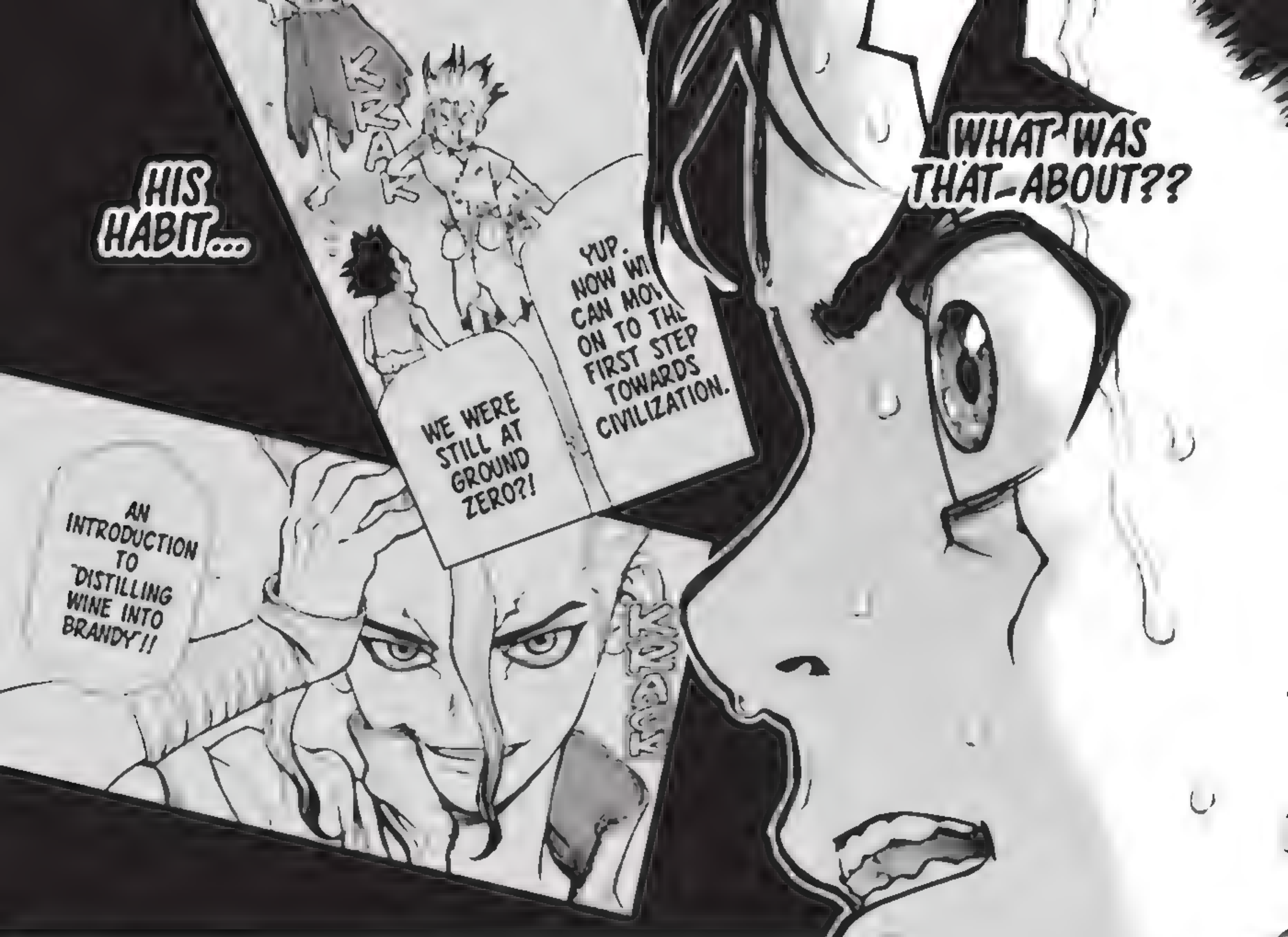


SENKU WAS
DRAWING
ATTENTION
TO HIS
NECK.

MAYBE
HE WAS
SUGGESTING
THAT SPOT
FOR TSUKASA
TO STRIKE!

IN THAT
MOMENT
...

F
S
H
H
H





**RIGHT
ON HIS
NECK...**

**...IS A
LITTLE
BIT OF
STONE...**



**WHEN
WE WERE
UNPETRIFIED,
WE SUSTAINED
A BIT OF
DAMAGE
HERE.**

**VERY
TRUE!**

**EVEN
WITH THESE
CRACKS ON
OUR FACES,
THOUGH,
WE'RE STILL
ALIVE.**

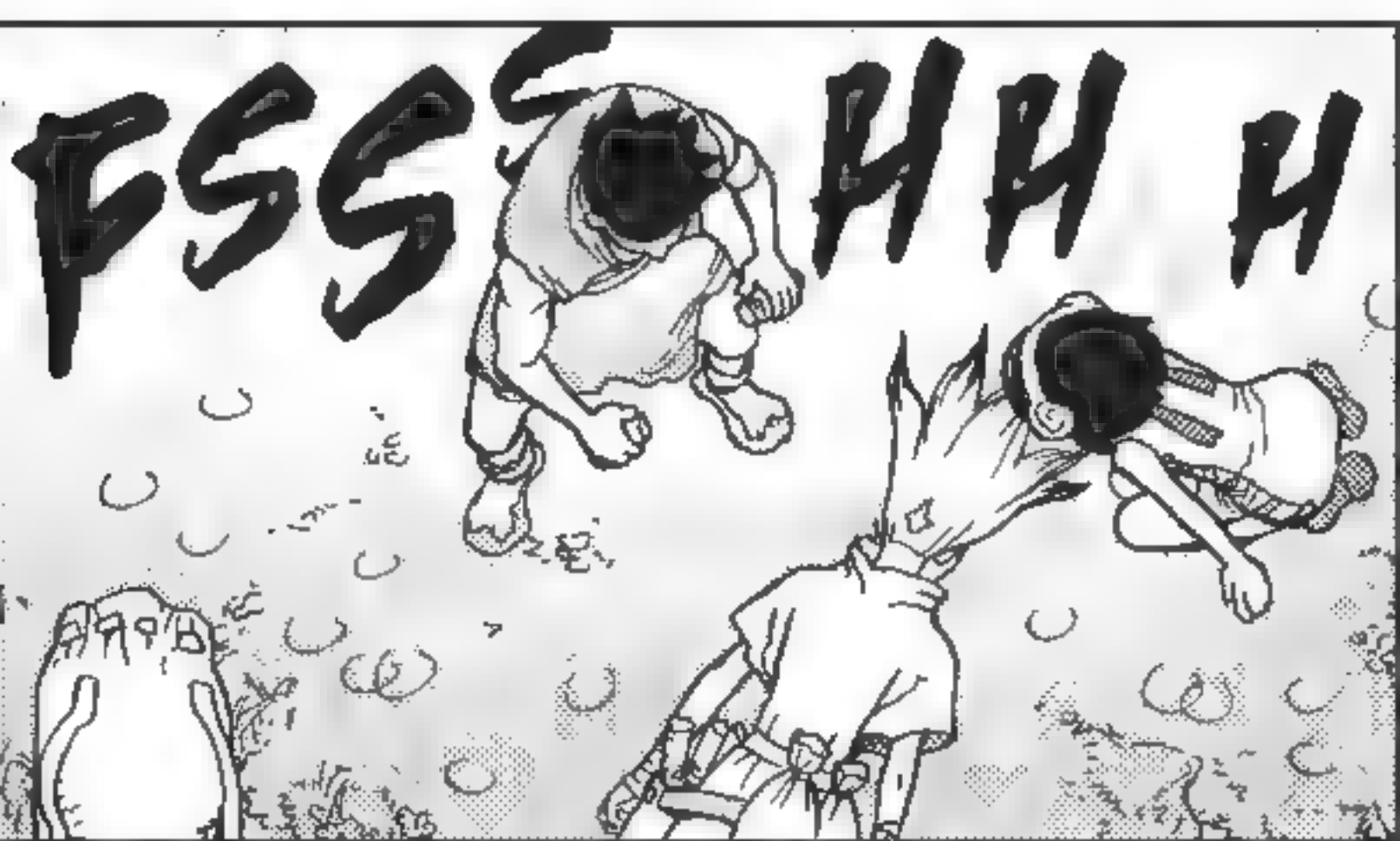


**BUT IT
FEELS LIKE
EVEN THE
PAIN IS
WASHING
AWAY...!**



**YUZURIHA,
THAT'S...**

**YOUR TOES
STILL HAVE
STONE ON
THEM!**





THE
PETRIFIED
PARTS
GONE!!

SO
MAYBE
...

WAKE
UP!

I KNEW
IT. I
KNEW YOU
WERENT
GONNA
LEAVE US
LIKE THIS!

BA BA BA

A

N N N

K R K

K R K



...SHINING
STAR OF
HOPE!!

SENKU,
YOU'RE...

...HUMANITY
AND
CIVILIZA-
TION'S...



SENKU!!

OPEN
YOUR
EYES!



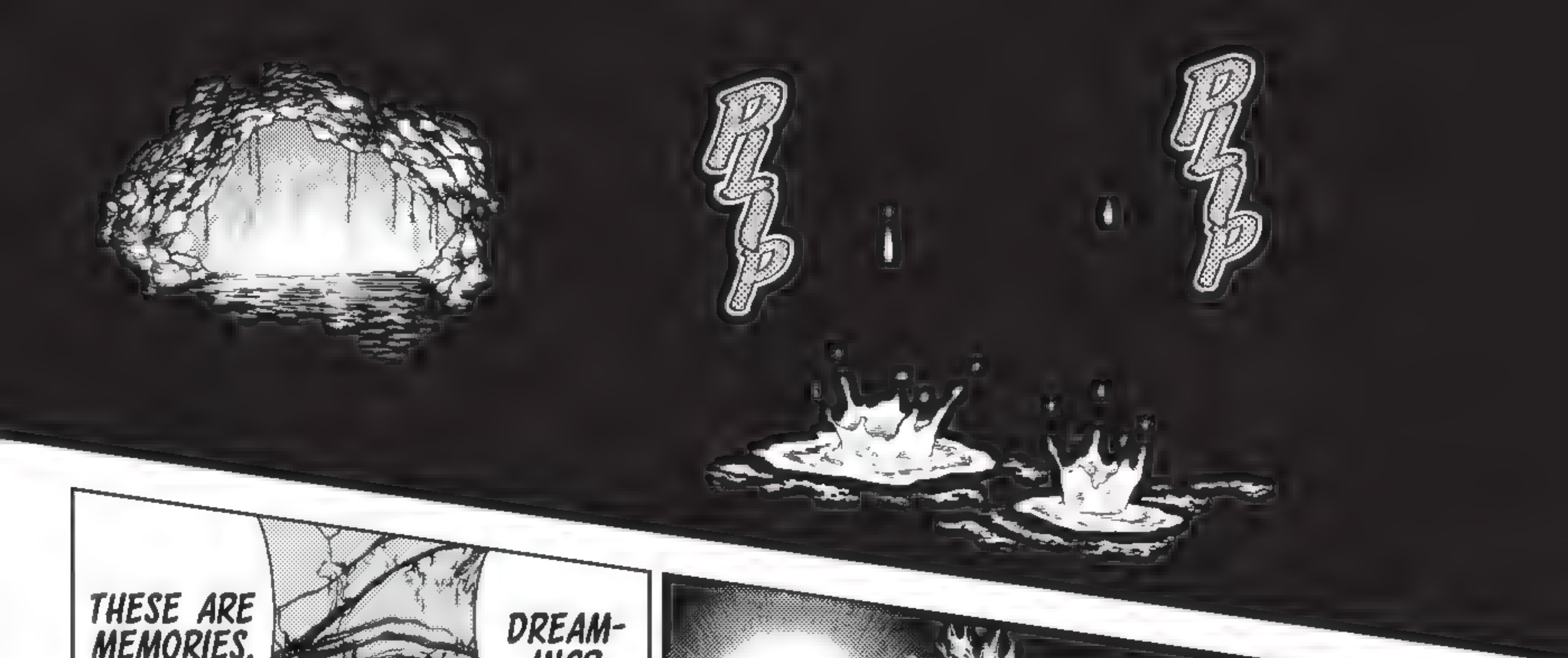
PLEASE!!
COME
BACK
TO US!

FRESH
H
H
H



DESTONE

Z=12: Epilogue of Prologue
(End of Part 0)



THESE ARE MEMORIES.

DREAM-ING?

NO. THAT'S NOT IT.

WHERE AM I?

...

117,354,889,550 SECONDS.

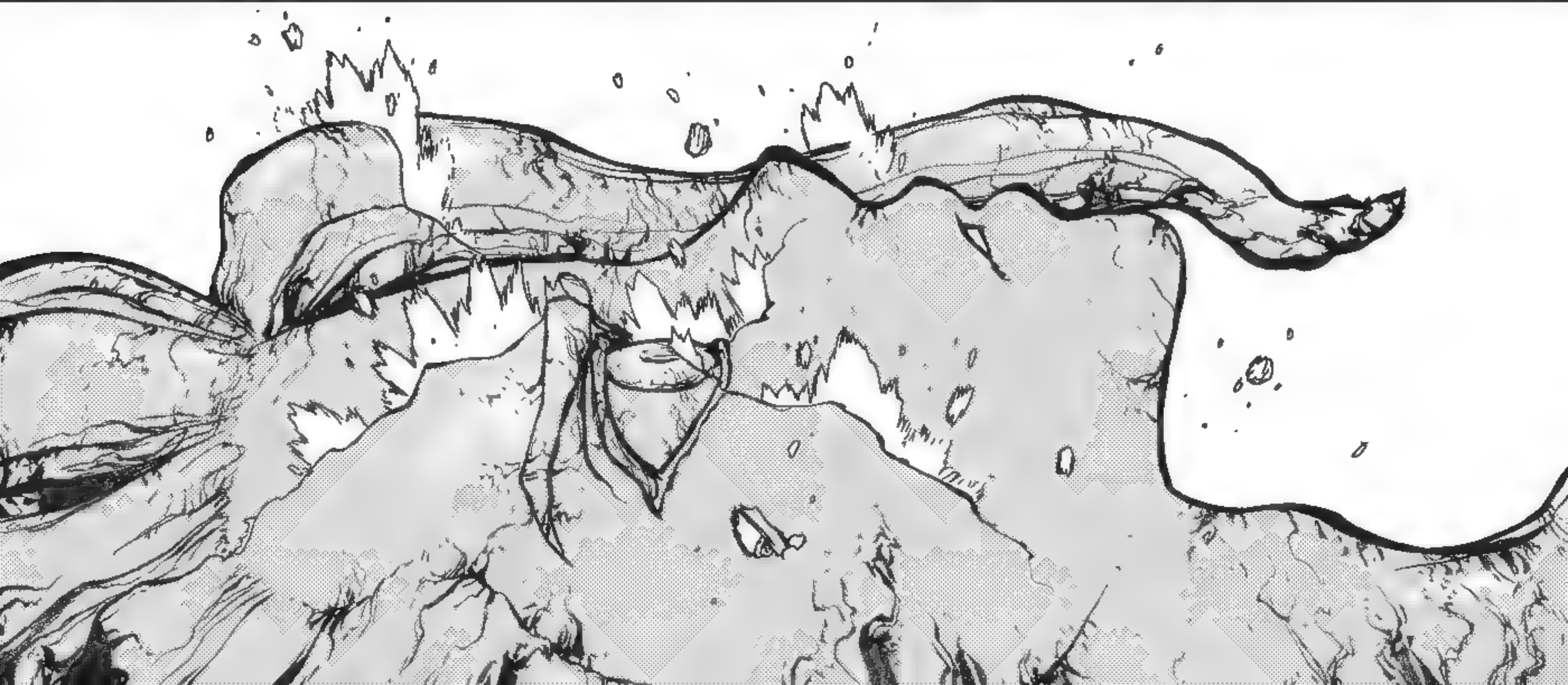
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7

8

I WAS COUNTING. KEEPING TRACK, ALL THAT TIME.

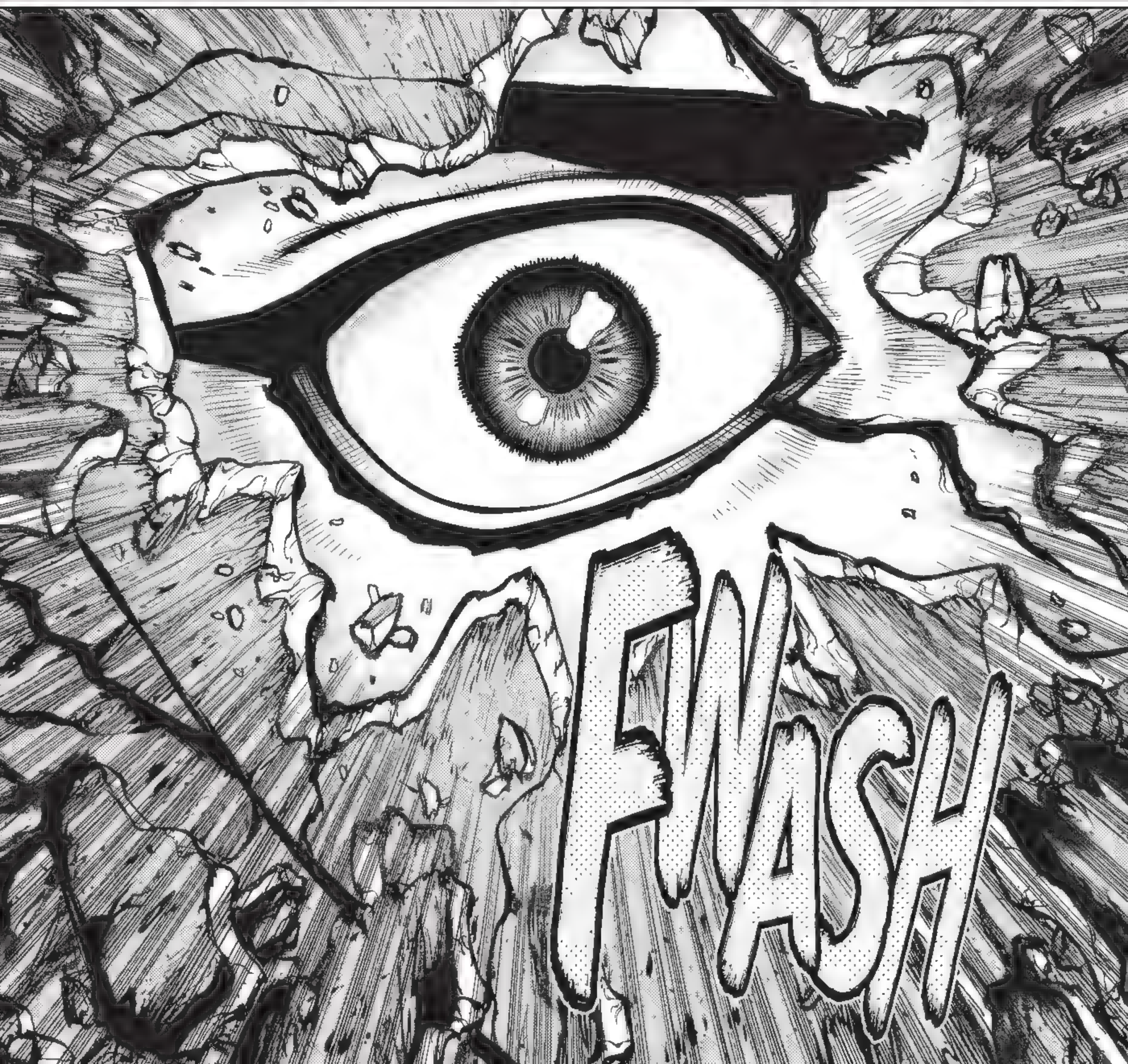
MEMORIES OF THE 3,700 YEARS I WAS PETRIFIED.



LET'S TURN
BACK THE
CLOCK TO
WHEN IT ALL
BEGAN.

THIS STORY
ACTUALLY
STARTS WITH
SENKU'S
AWAKENING.

Part 1: Stone World—The Beginning





MECHA
SENKU

Q & A

SEARCH

Question Corner

They call Tsukasa “History’s Strongest Primate High Schooler,” but how strong is he, really?



The Naked Professor from Osaka

SEARCH

He won MMA tournaments while still in high school. Tsukasa is heretofore undefeated!



He is so famous that even Taiju, who does not watch television, has heard of him!

Science Questions

How does one make gasoline out of plastic bottle caps?

Character Questions

If Taiju and Tsukasa really fought, who would win?

Questions That Aren't Really Questions

I wanna get petrified and challenge myself to count the seconds...

Now answering any and all queries!

My name is

**MECHA
SENKU!!**

WHRRR KLANK

DR. STONE



DESTONE

**BUT
ONE
DAY...**

**SEVERAL
MILLENNIA
HAVE
PASSED
SINCE
HUMANITY
WAS
PETRIFIED.**

**ONE
MAN...**

**...NAMED
SENKU
SUDDENLY
AWOKE.**





A FLASHY
ENTRANCE
LIKE THAT
WOULD'VE
BEEN FUN.



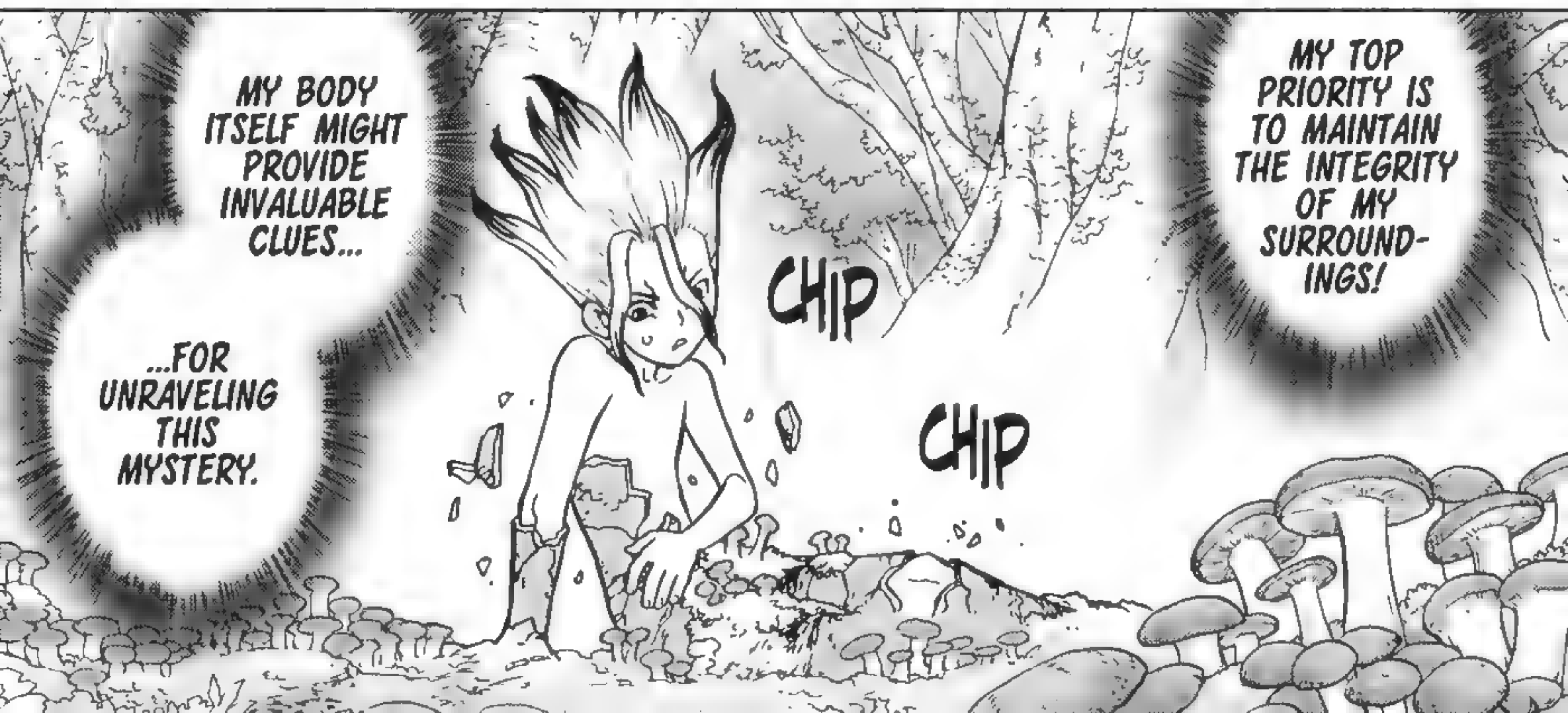
YUP!
S'JUST
HOW I
DID IT!

HEH
HEH HEH...
THERE'S A
TEN BILLION
PERCENT
CHANCE...

...THAT MY
BLOCKHEADED
BUDDY TAIJU
WOULD DO
IT JUST
LIKE THAT.



WHOOAAA,
I'M
FREE!



MY BODY
ITSELF MIGHT
PROVIDE
INVALUABLE
CLUES...

...FOR
UNRAVELING
THIS
MYSTERY.

CHIP

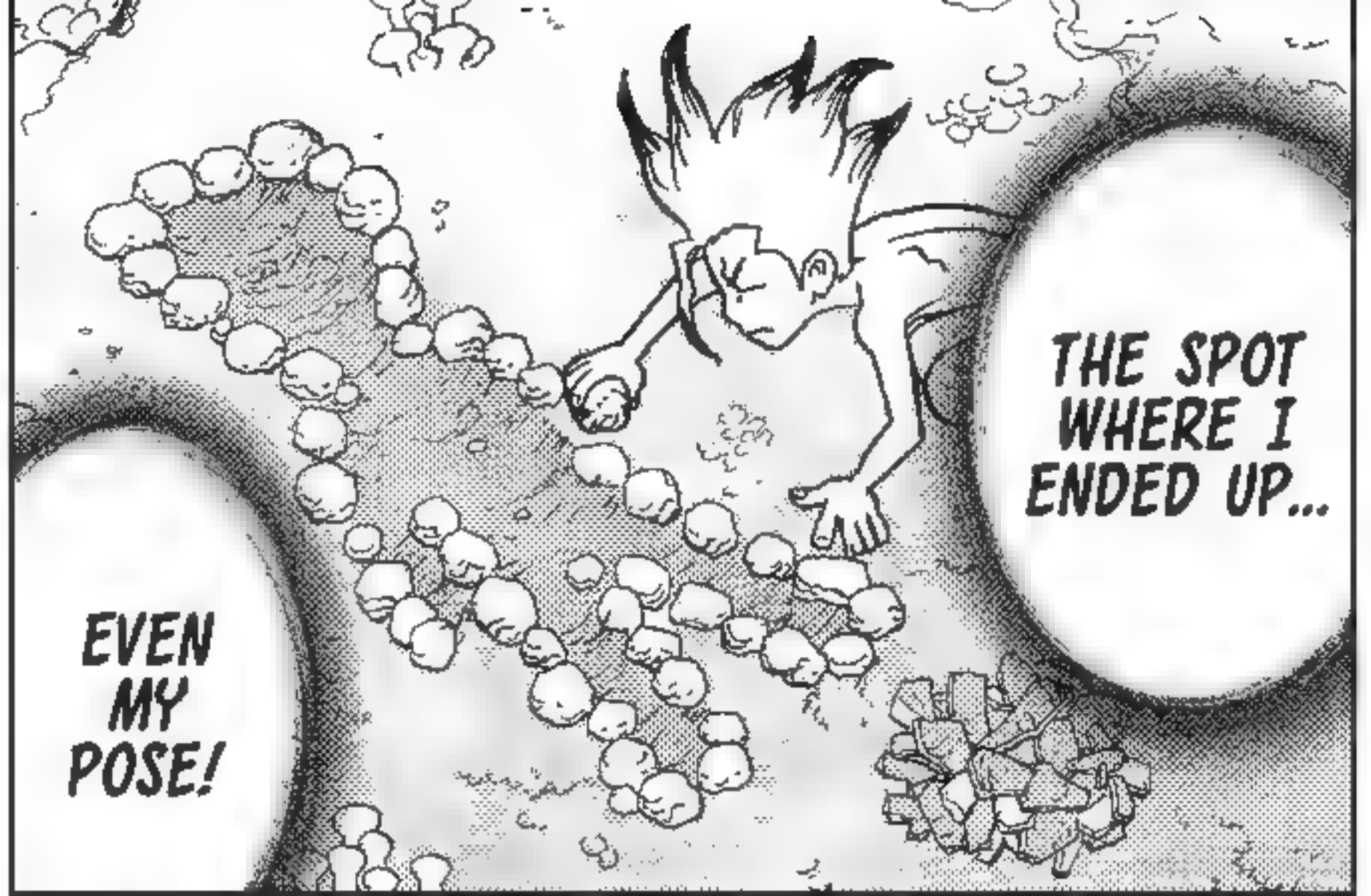
CHIP

MY TOP
PRIORITY IS
TO MAINTAIN
THE INTEGRITY
OF MY
SURROUND-
INGS!



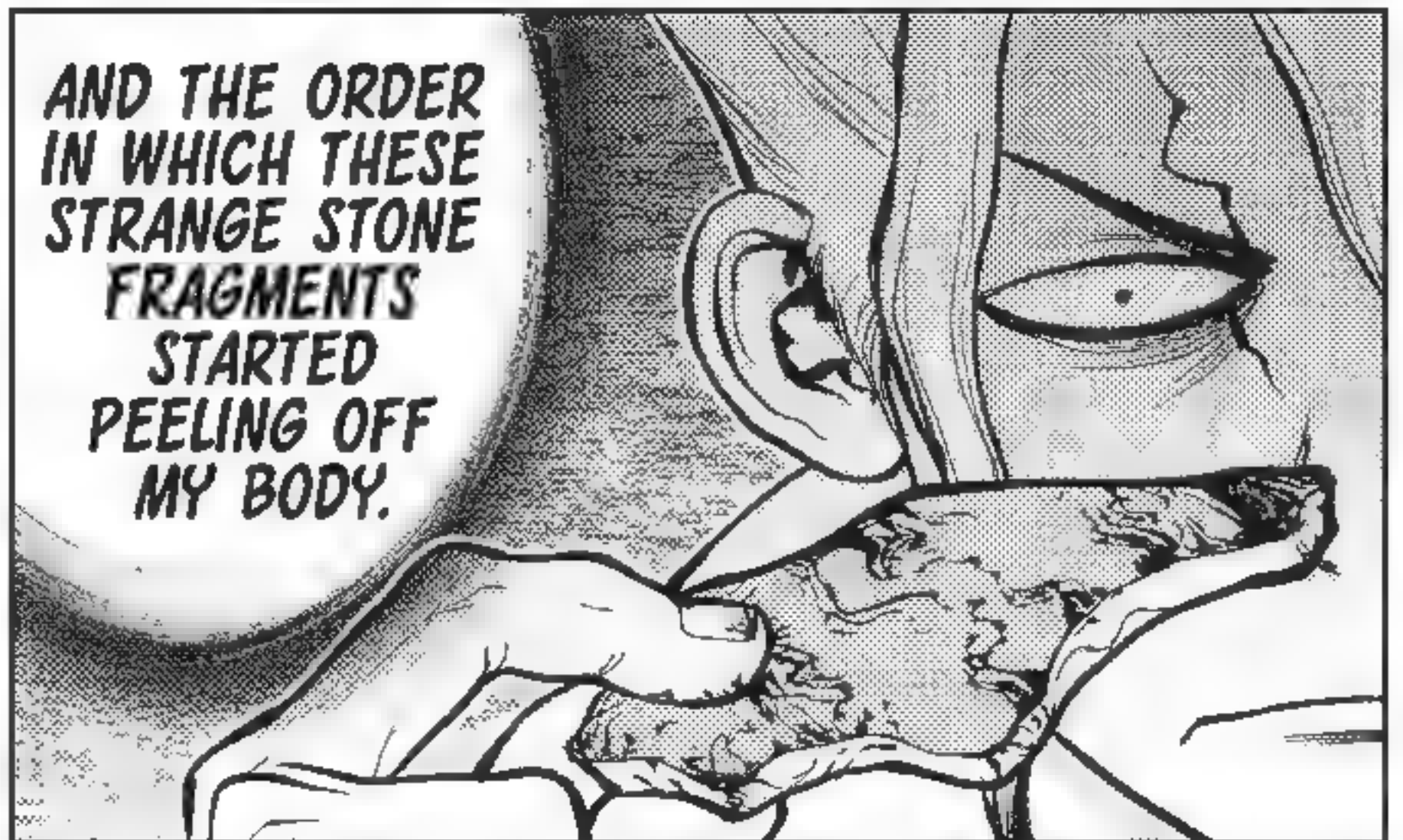
...I'D
BETTER
PRESERVE
EVERY LAST
LITTLE BIT.

UNTIL
I CAN
CONDUCT
A MORE
THOROUGH
INVESTIGA-
TION...

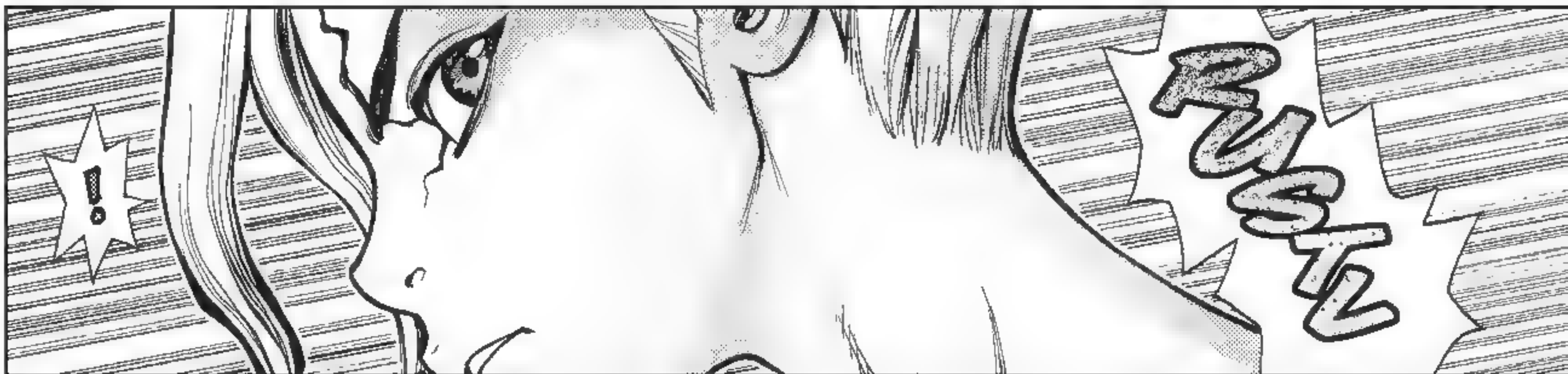


EVEN
MY
POSE!

THE SPOT
WHERE I
ENDED UP...



AND THE ORDER
IN WHICH THESE
STRANGE STONE
FRAGMENTS
STARTED
PEELING OFF
MY BODY.

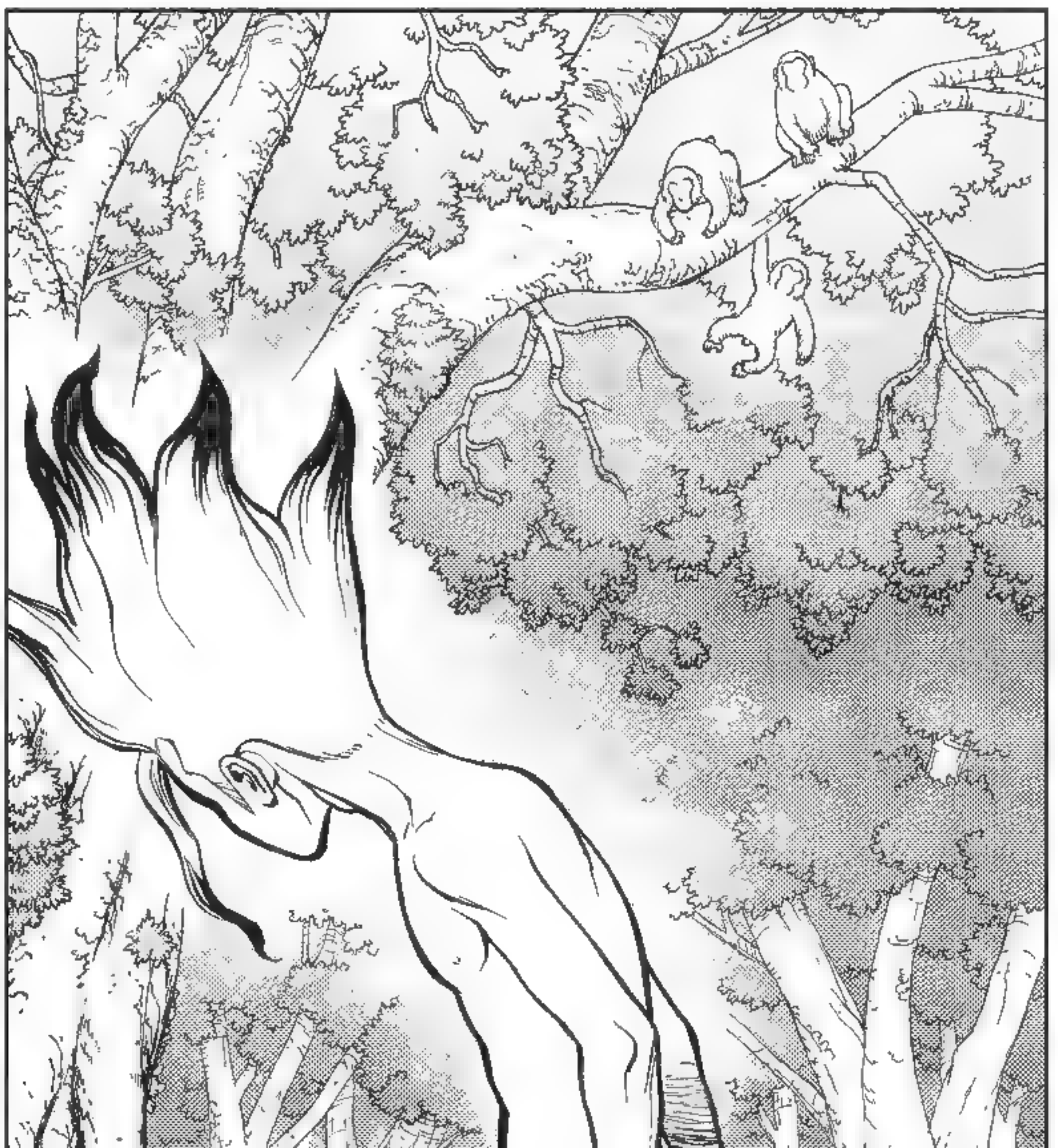


WHICH
MONKEY
TRIBE?

WHERE'RE
YOU FROM,
BUD?

HUH?
?

HUH?
?



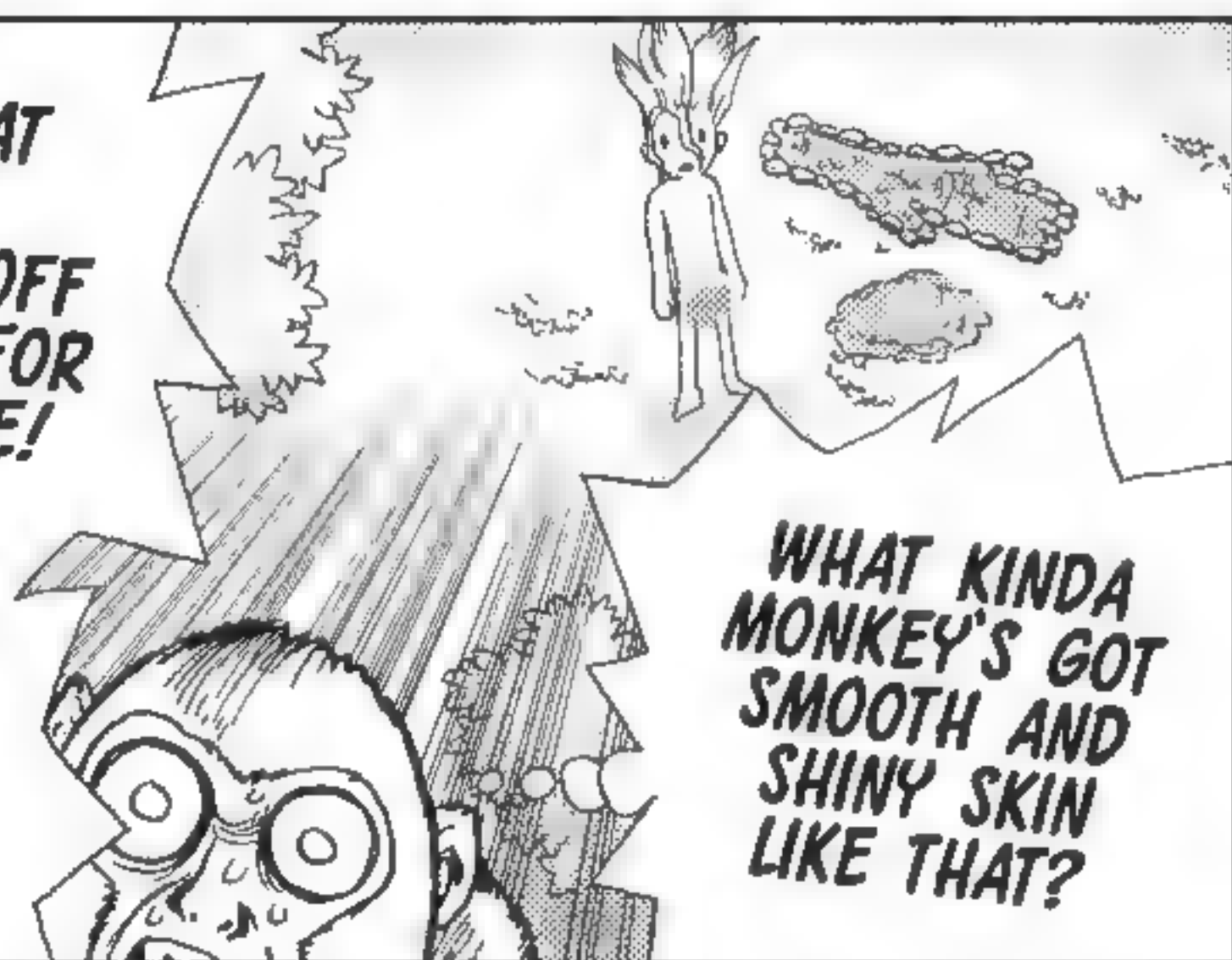


**DUDE'S
ALL
SMOOTH
AND
SHINY!**



**AND THAT
RUNT'S
SHOWING OFF
HIS JUNK FOR
ALL TO SEE!**

**WELL,
SO'M I,
BUT STILL!**



**WHAT KINDA
MONKEY'S GOT
SMOOTH AND
SHINY SKIN
LIKE THAT?**



**SO
CIVILIZATION'S
ALL DEAD
AND GONE,
HUH?**

**I
GUESS...**

**...THAT
MAKES
ME...**



**Gross
!!**

**I GUESS
THEY'VE
NEVER SEEN
A HUMAN
BEFORE...**

Z=13

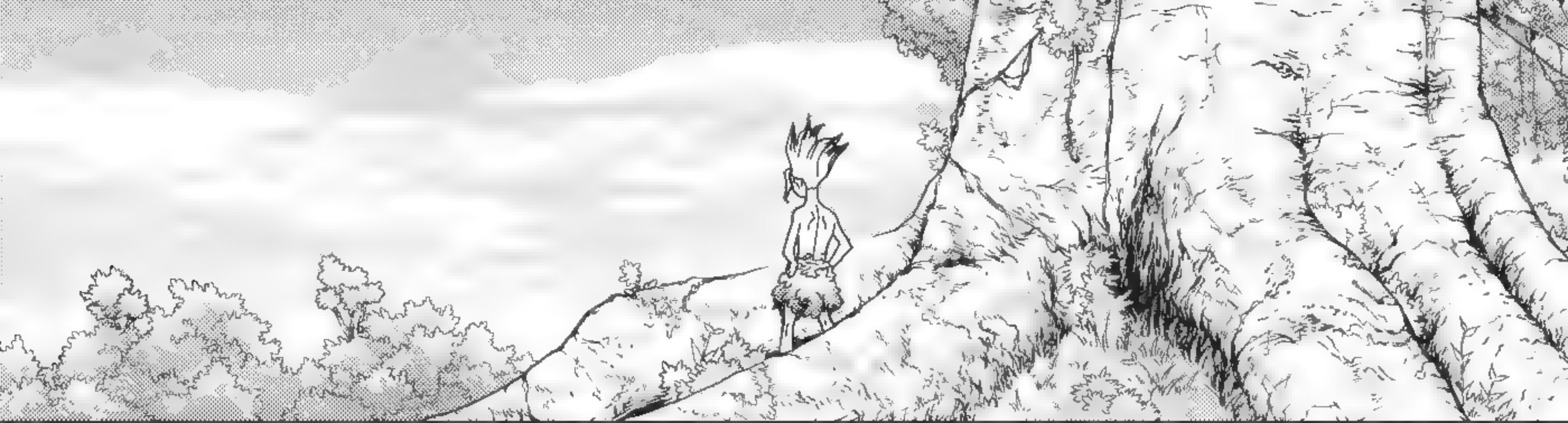
**GET
EXCITED
....!!**

**Part 1:
Stone World—The
Beginning**

**THE
FIRST ONE
TO BE
REBORN
INTO THIS
WORLD.**

**...SMOOTH
AND SHINY
MONKEY!**

**THE
FIRST
EVER...**



ALSO, THE EARTH'S ROTATION SLOWS BY 17/10,000,000 OF A SECOND EVERY YEAR, BUT THAT BARELY ADDS UP TO ANYTHING.

THAT'S SOME NASTY MENTAL MATH.

AND FIGURING IN LEAP YEARS IS EXTRA ANNOYING.

KLIK

KLIK

SINCE I GOT PETRIFIED, IT'S BEEN...

...117,354,893,870 SECONDS.



5738 A.D.

APRIL 1

OUR NEW STARTING DATE.

LET'S CALL THIS YEAR ZERO.





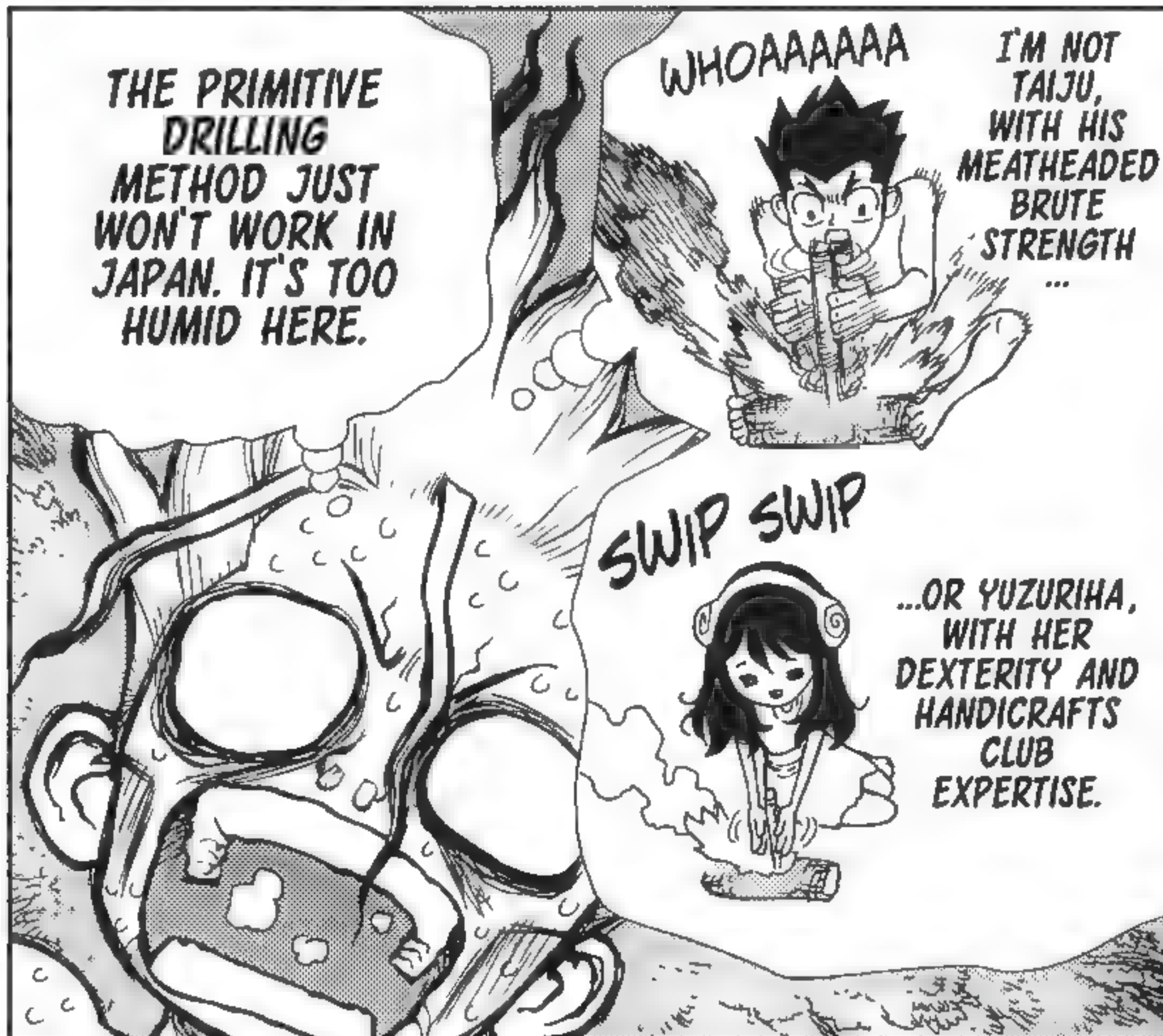
THAT
SMOOTH AND
SHINY'S A
REAL FOOL.

WHY'S HE
SCRITCH-
SCRATCHING
AWAY LIKE
THAT?



CAW

CAW



THE PRIMITIVE
DRILLING
METHOD JUST
WON'T WORK IN
JAPAN. IT'S TOO
HUMID HERE.

WHOOAAAAA

I'M NOT
TAIJU,
WITH HIS
MEATHEADED
BRUTE
STRENGTH ...

SWIP SWIP

...OR YUZURIHA,
WITH HER
DEXTERITY AND
HANDICRAFTS
CLUB
EXPERTISE.



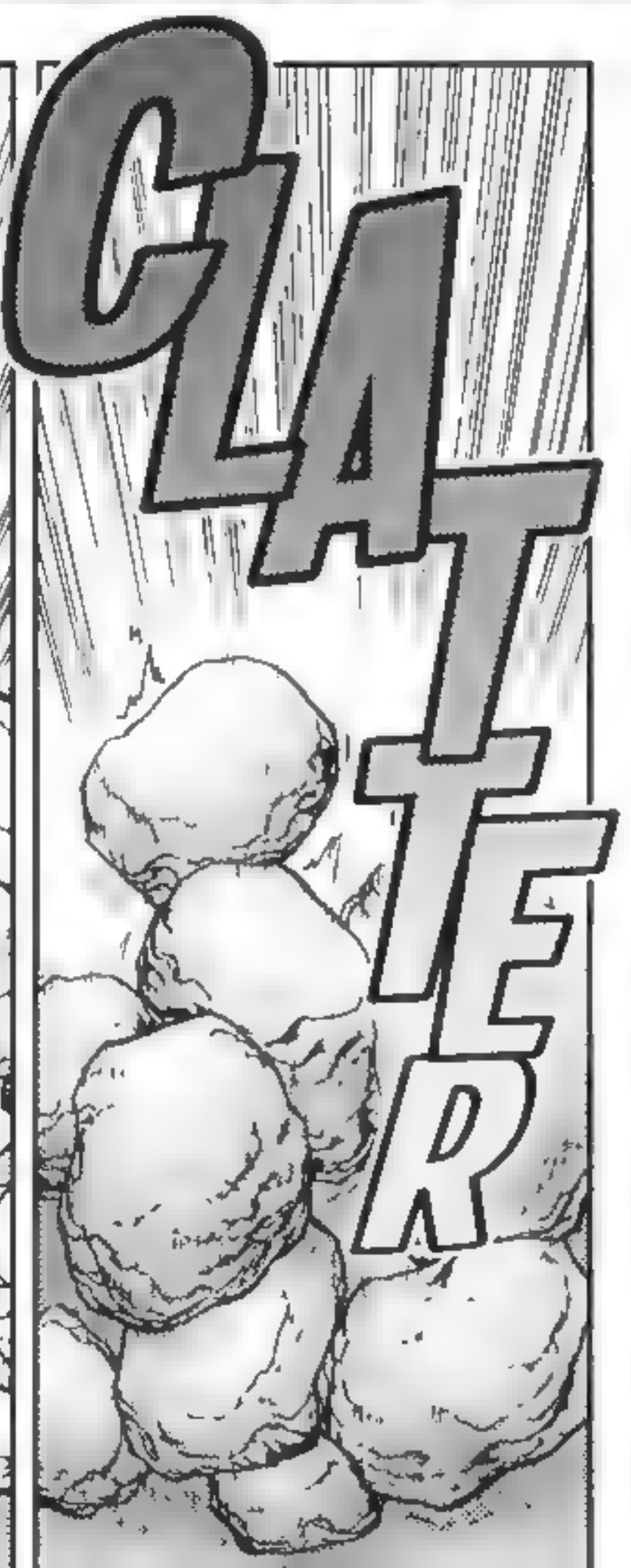
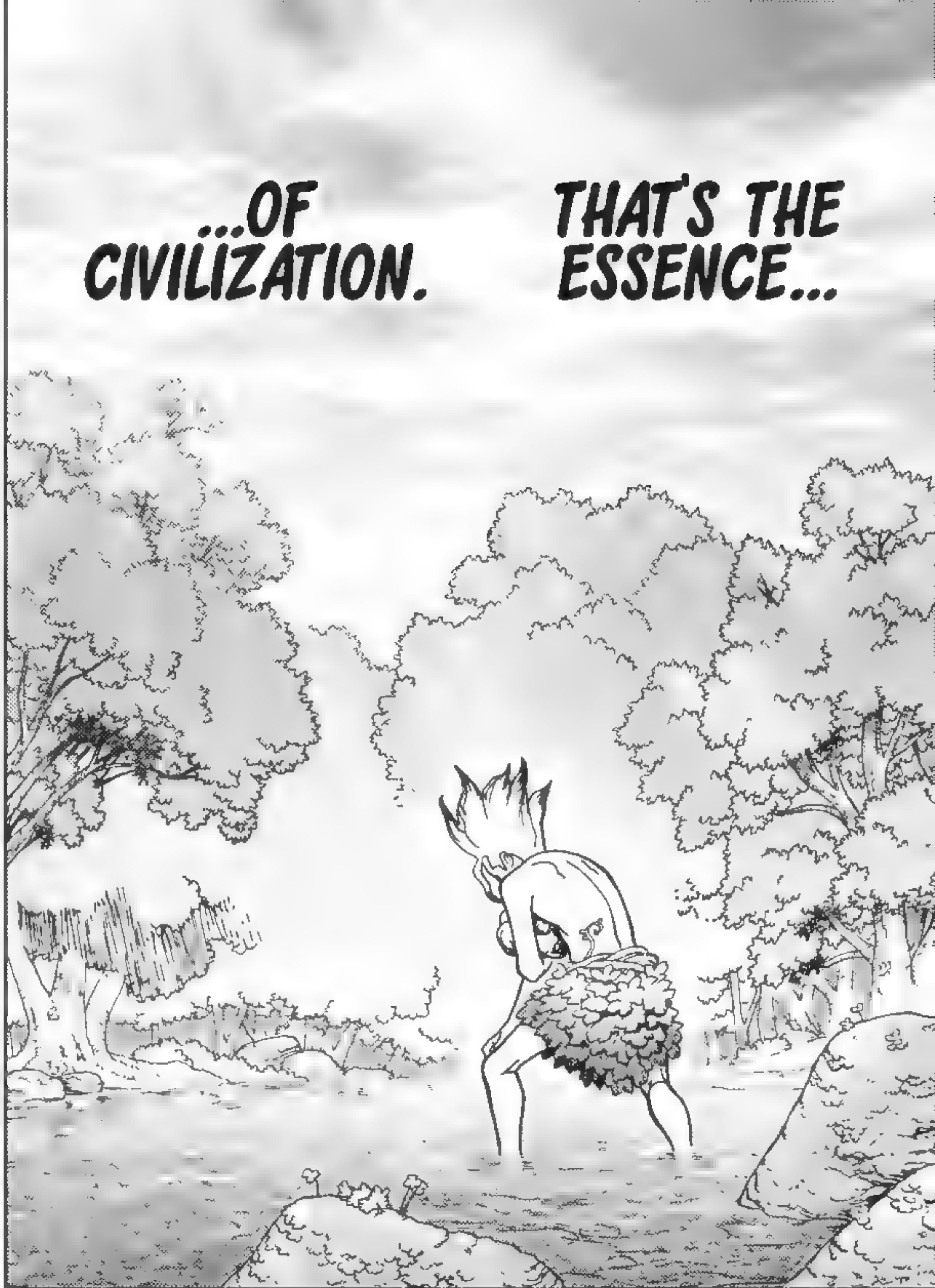
ALL HE'S GOT
IS GOOD OLD
DILIGENCE
AND
INGENUITY.

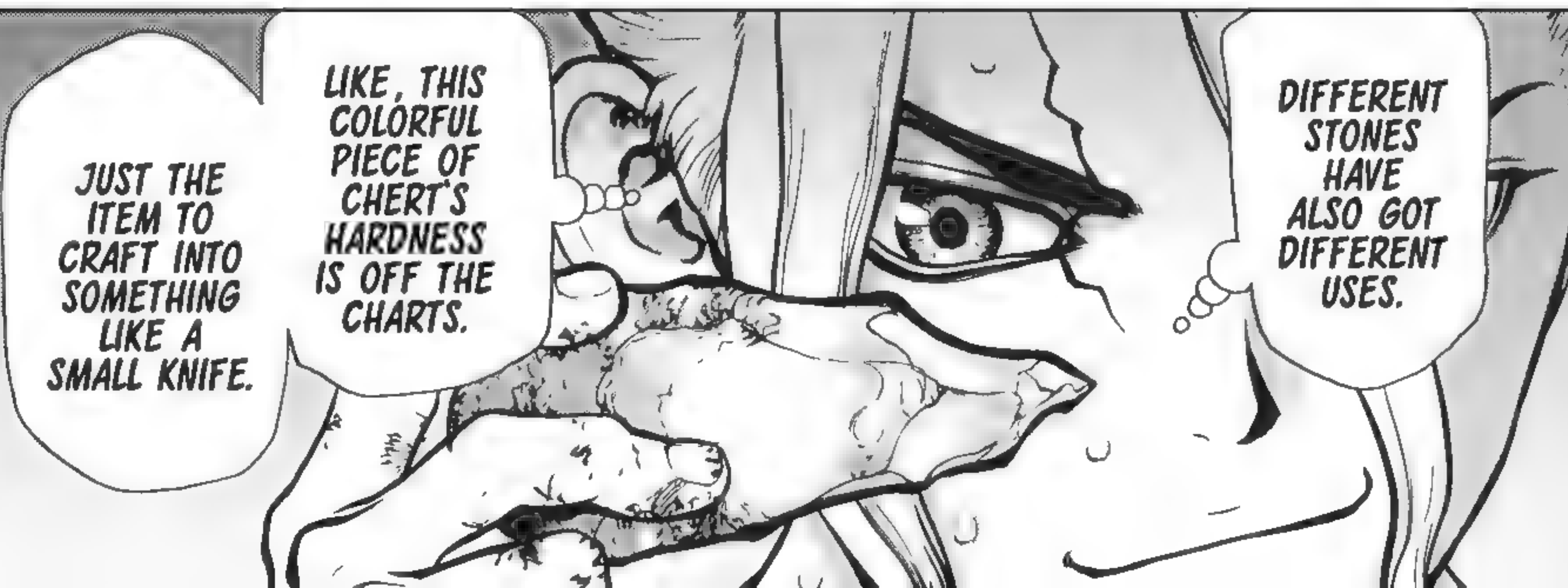
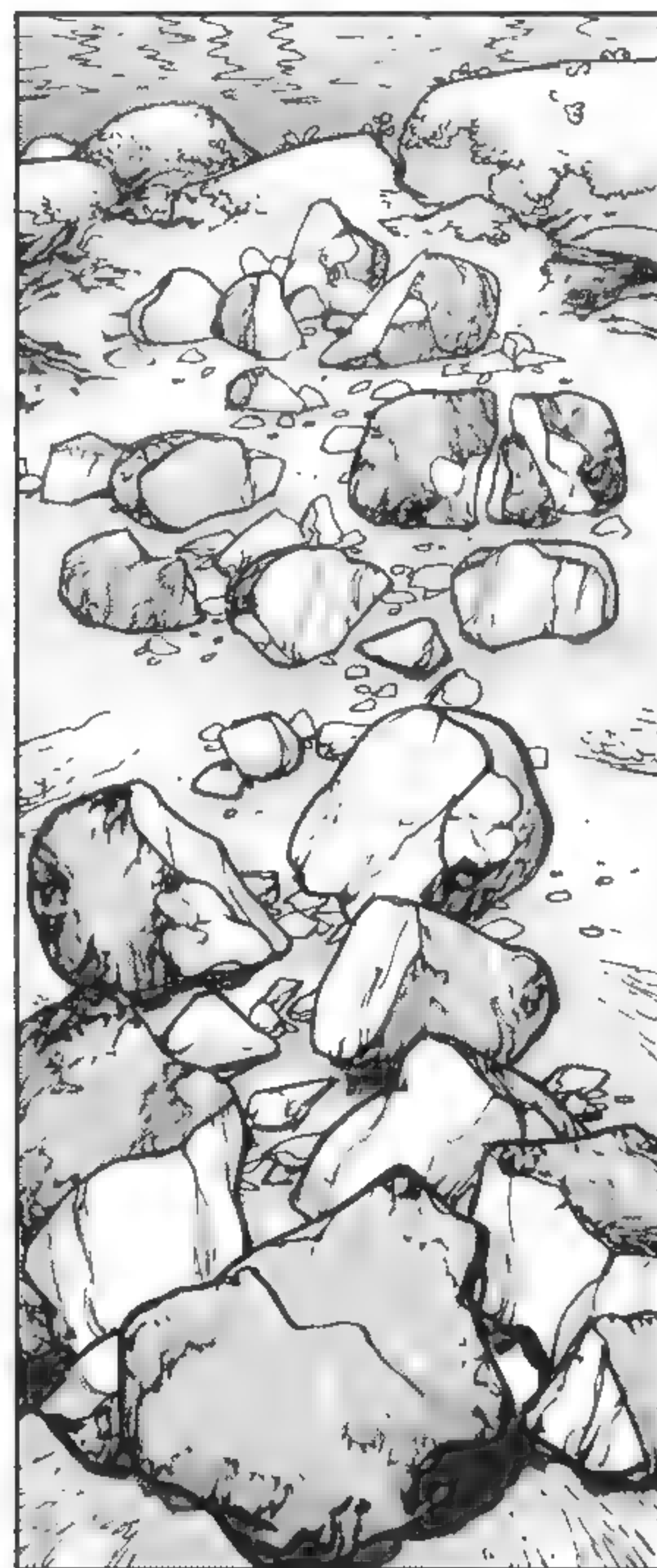
HEH HEH
HEH... THAT'S
RIGHT. THE
SMOOTH AND
SHINY MONKEY
LACKS CLAWS
AND FANGS.

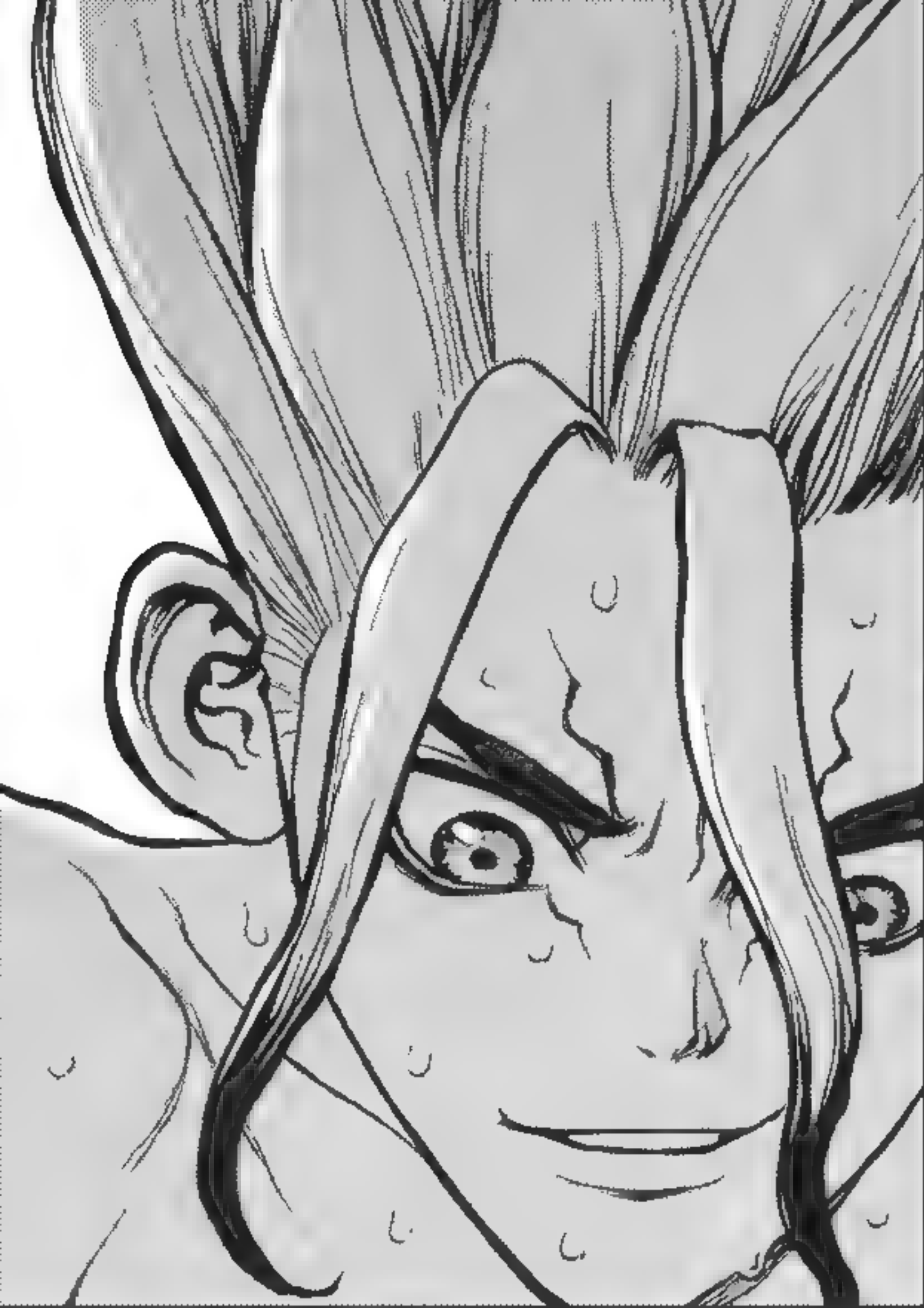


...OF
CIVILIZATION.

THAT'S THE
ESSENCE...

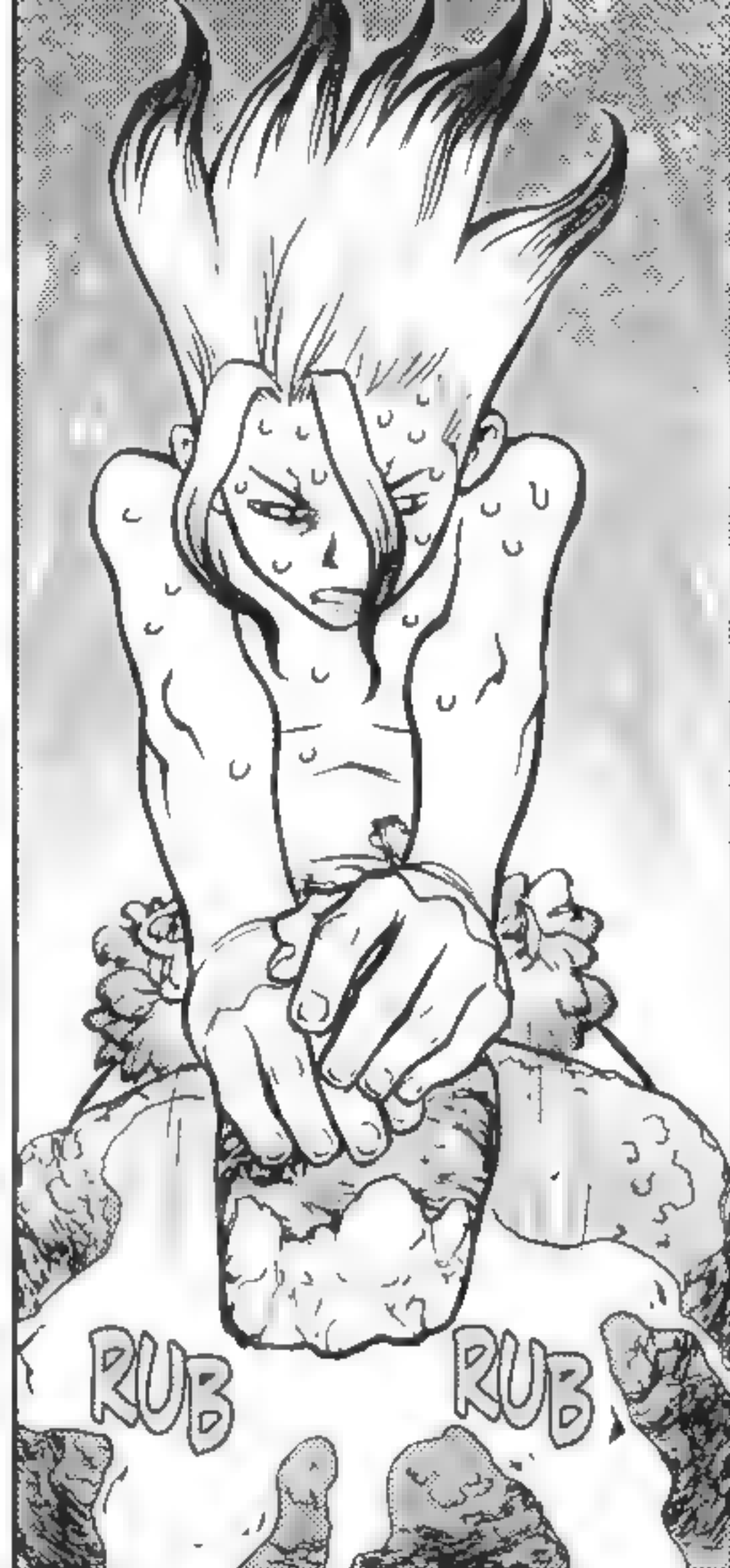






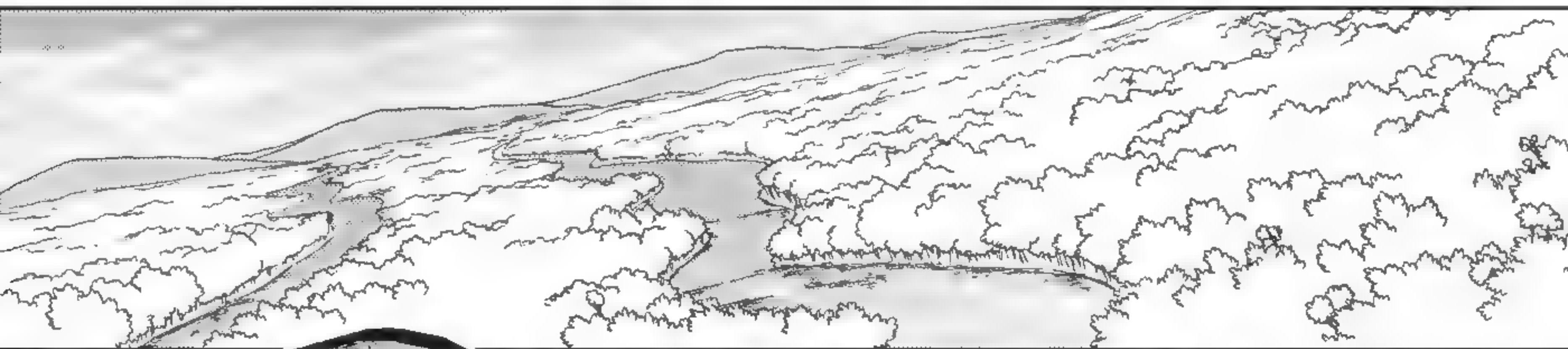
LOOKIT
THIS
RESEARCH!

AND THESE
EXPERI-
MENTS!



RUB

RUB



BAMMM

The smooth
and shiny
monkey
acquired
stone tools!



I CALL IT
THE STRING
CHEESE
METHOD.

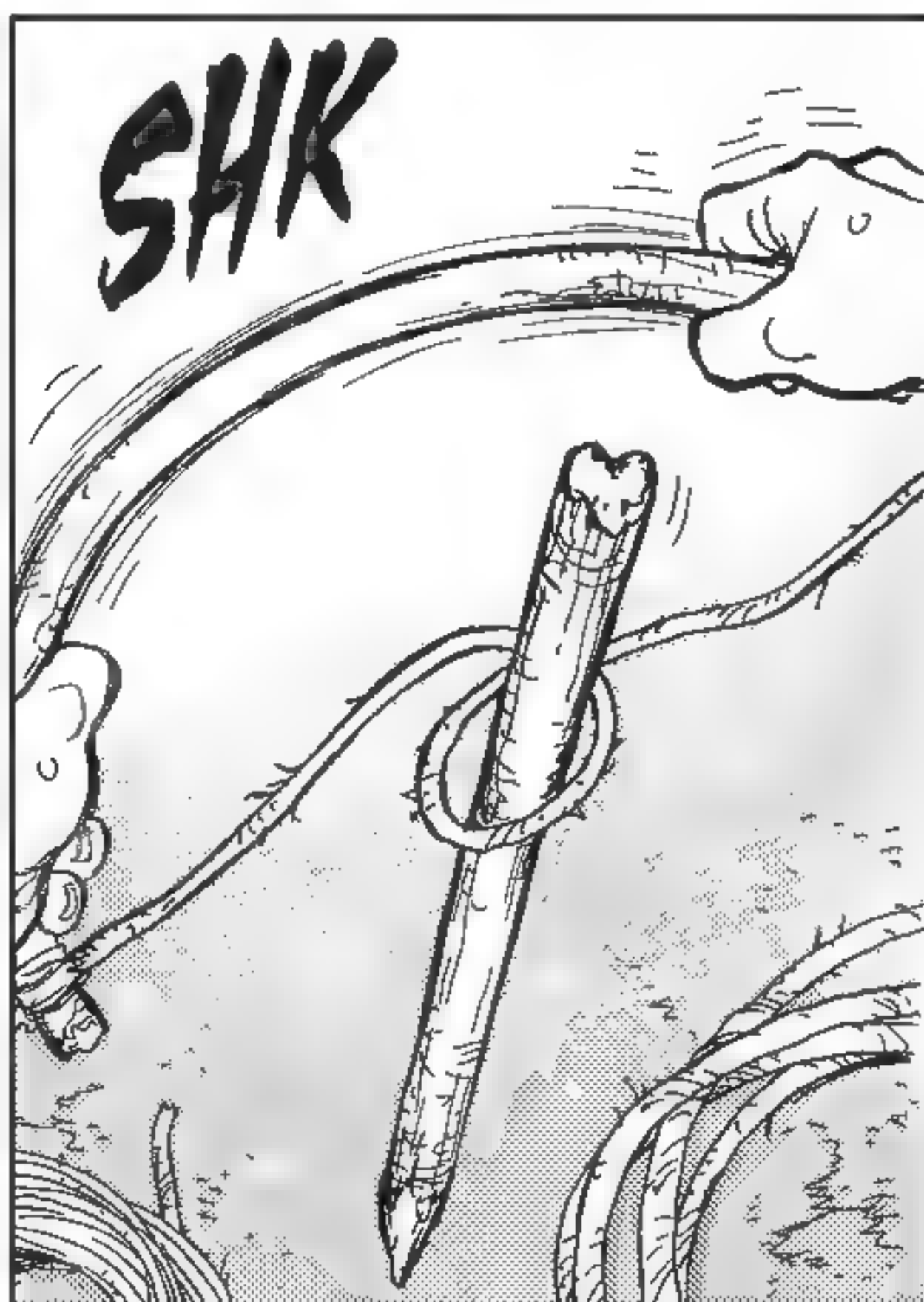
SCRAP

SLASH

FIDGET

FIDGET

FIDGET



The smooth and shiny monkey acquired fire!

FIRE



OK?



BUT THERE'S ONLY ONE SPECIES IN THE WORLD...

...THAT MAKES USE OF SCIENCE!

THERE'RE MORE ANIMALS THAT USE TOOLS THAN YOU'D THINK!

CROWS.

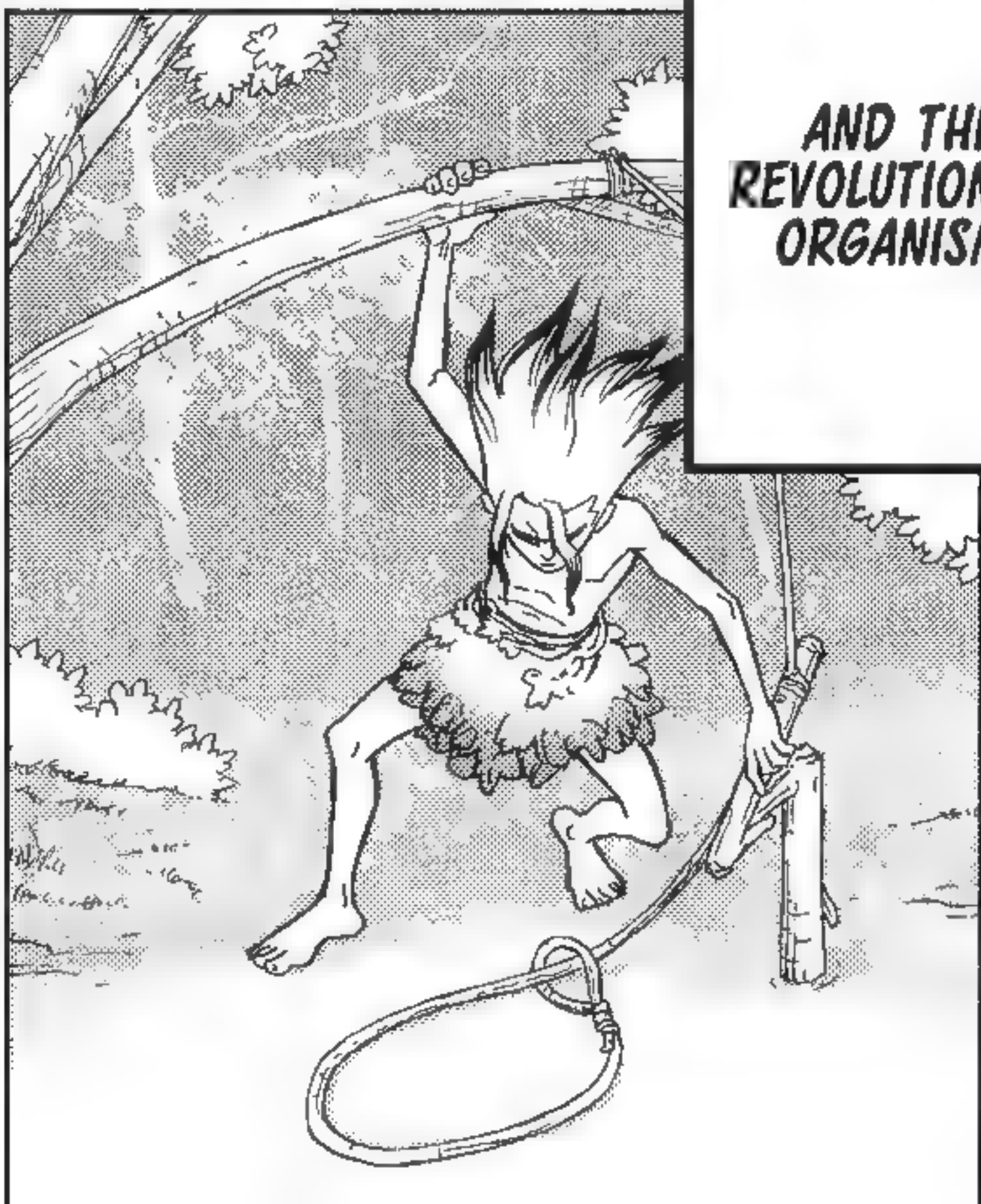
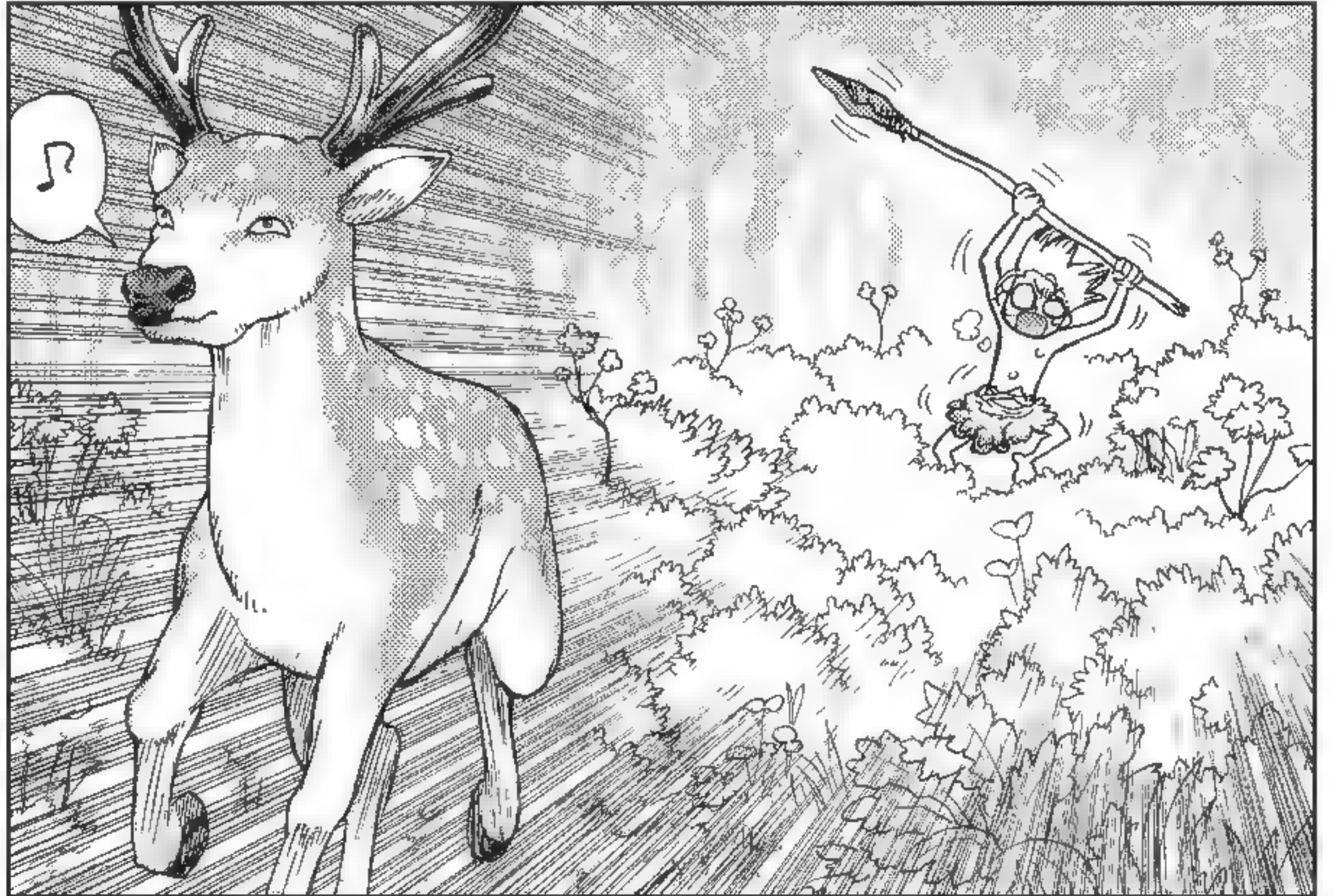
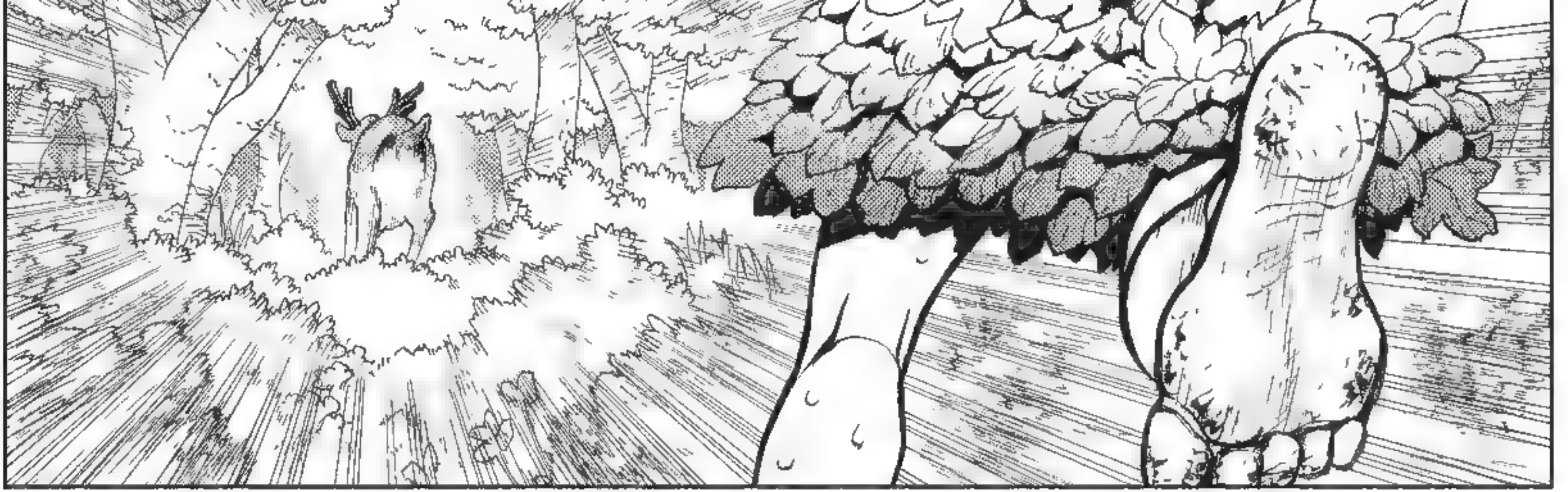
OTTERS.

ORANG-UTANS.

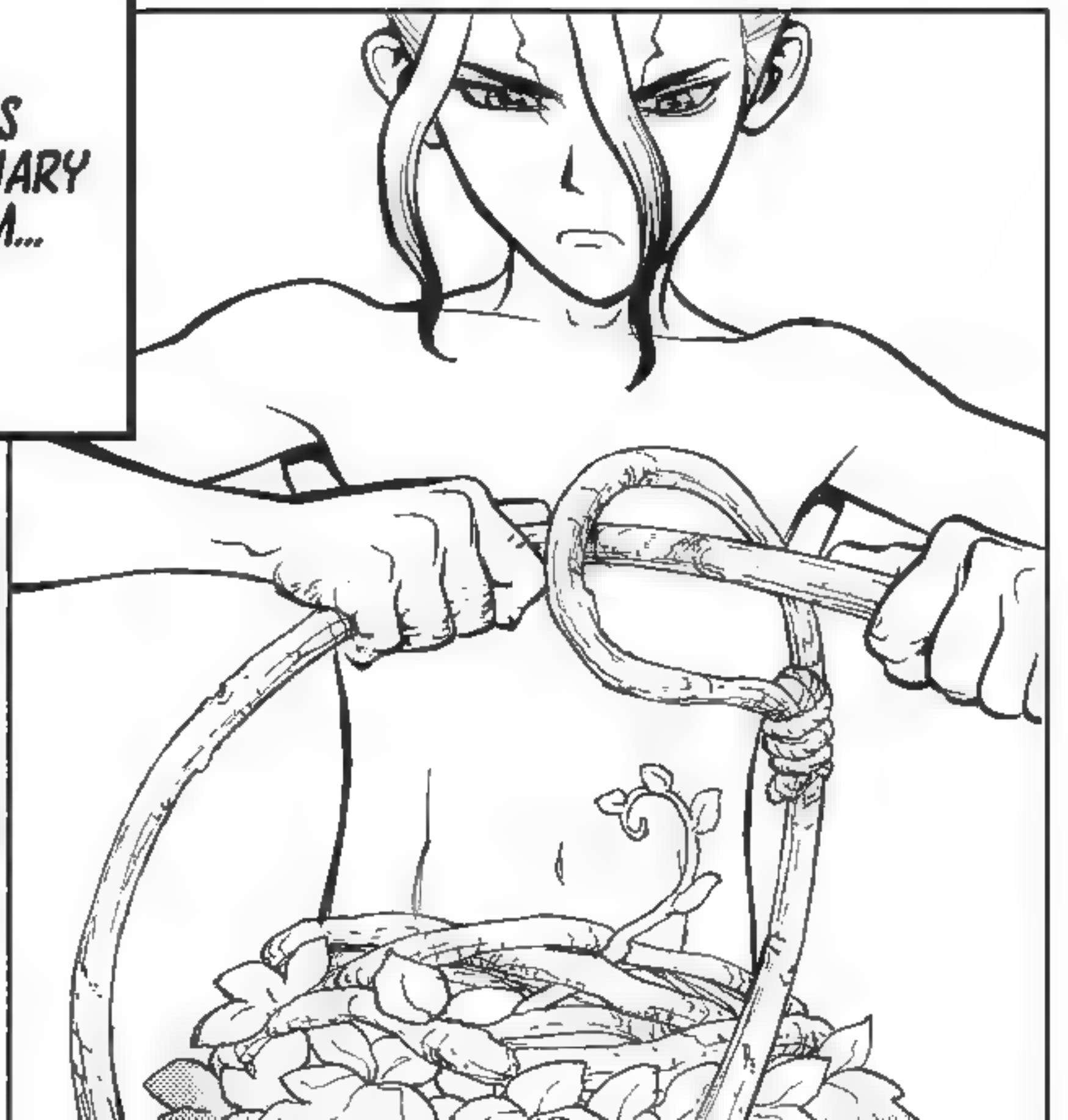
THE GASES GIVEN OFF BY CELLULOSE UNDERGO OXIDATION AND RELEASE HEAT.

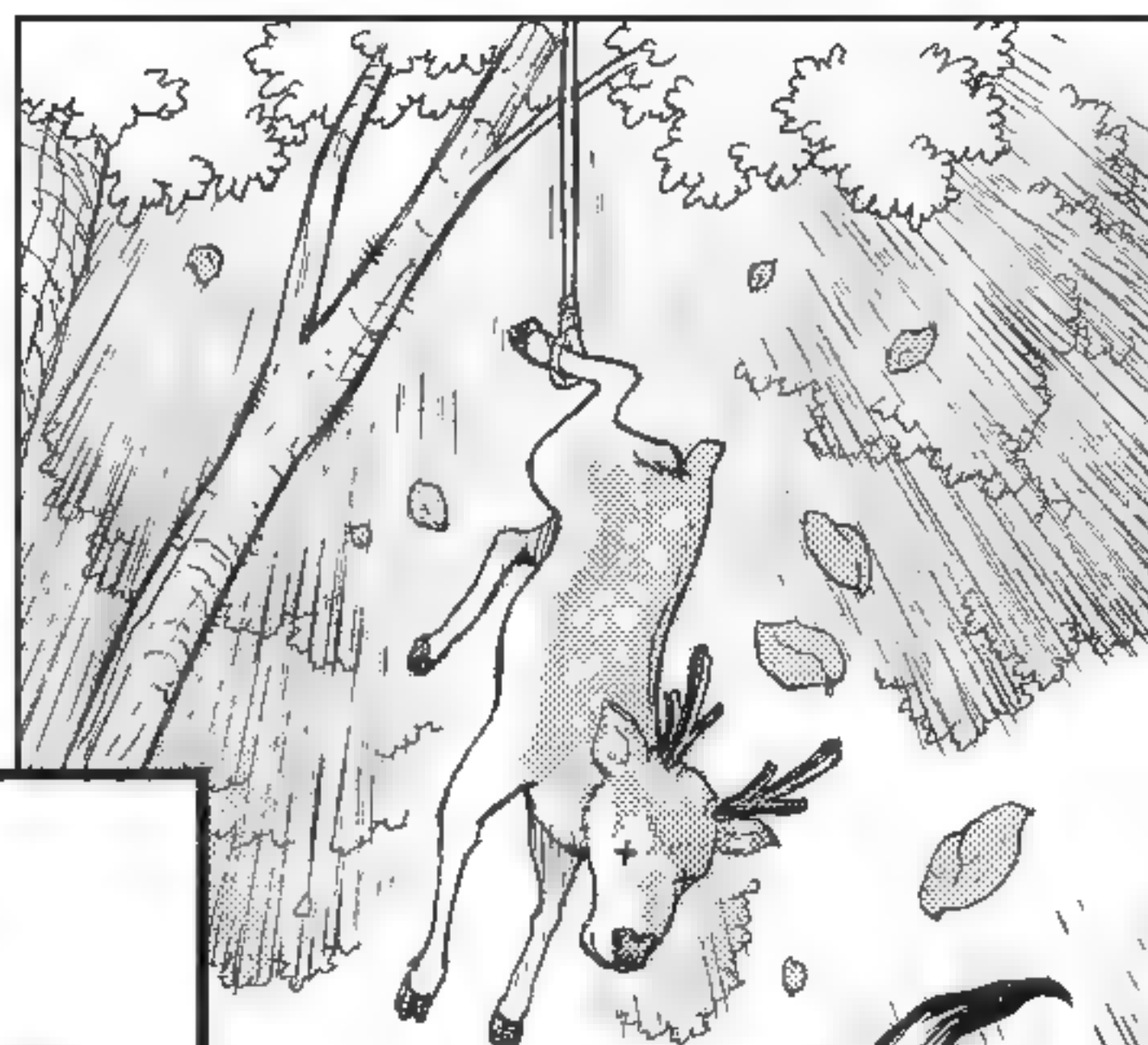
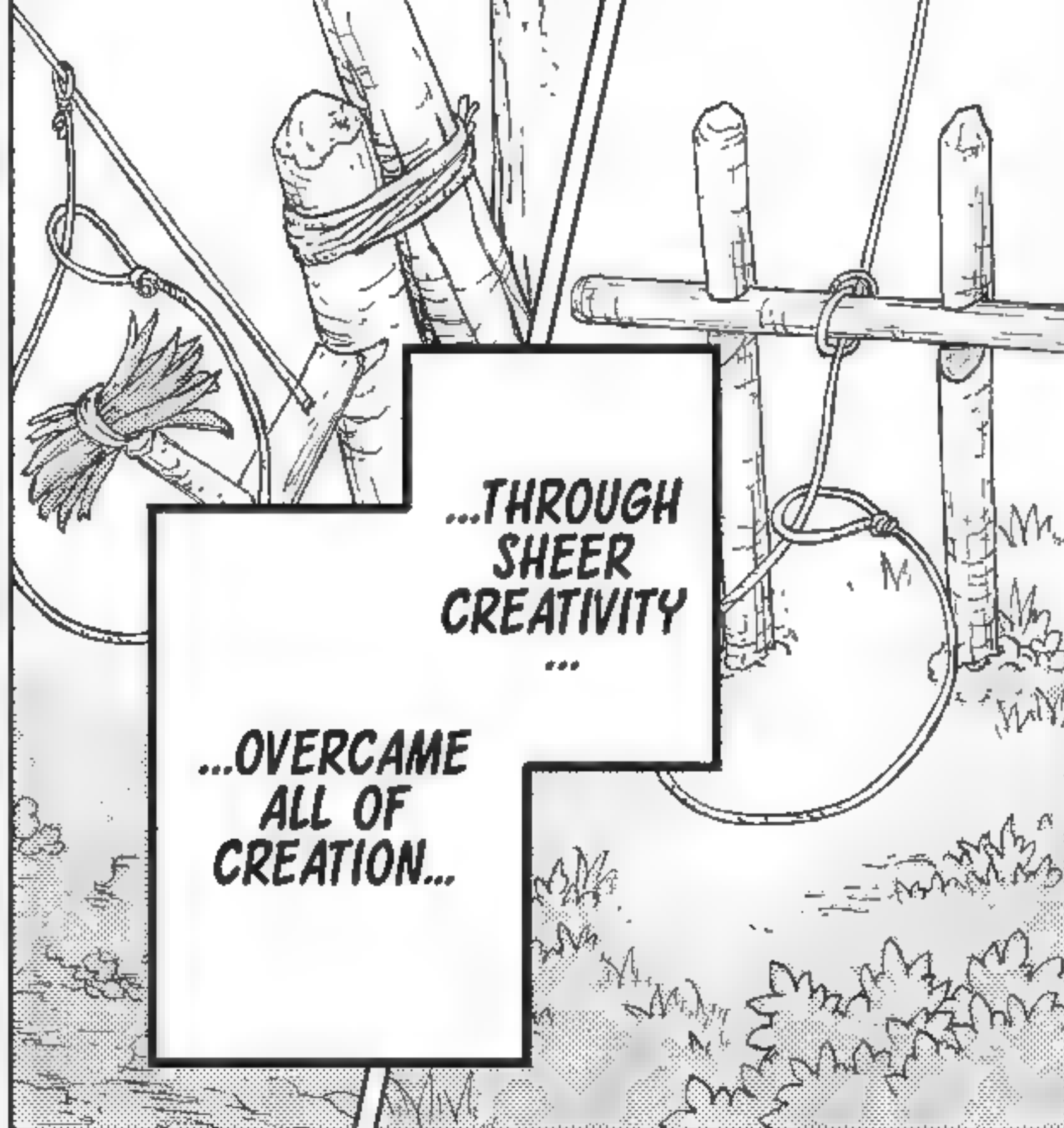
LEADING TO...

COMBUSTION!



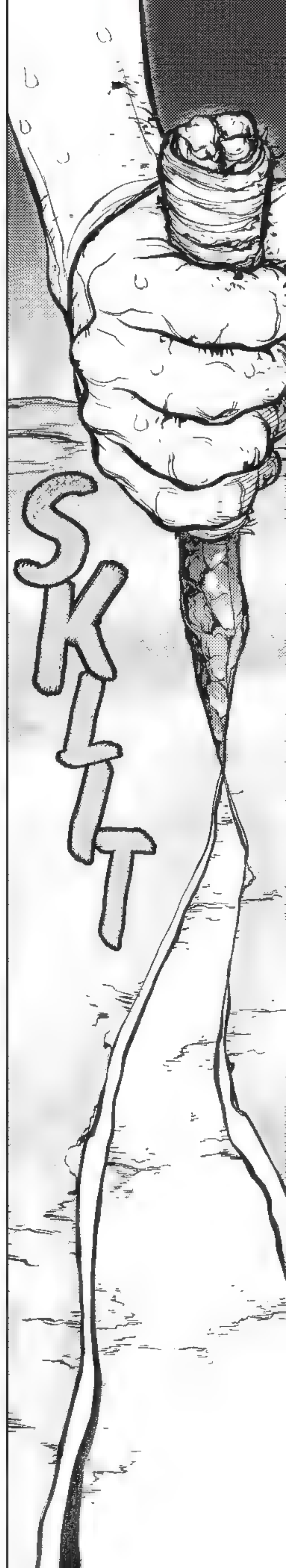
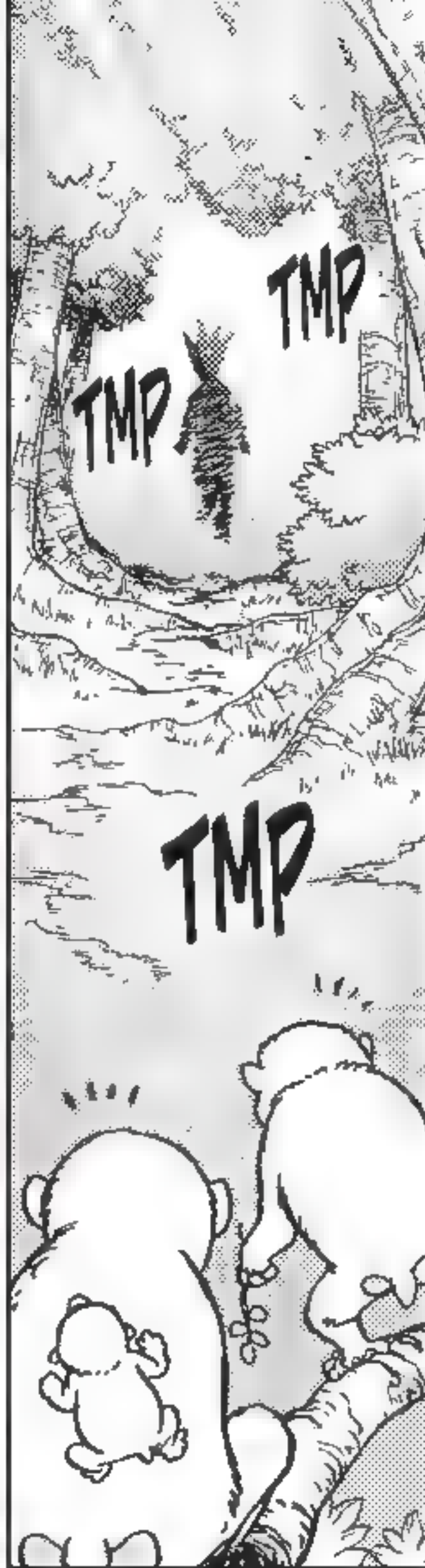
AND THIS
REVOLUTIONARY
ORGANISM...





...TO
BECOME AN
OVERLORD
OF
SCIENCE!





Clothing
acquired!!

TO
MP!

...A
HUMAN!!

I'M...



GNAN GNAN

I'm not
eating
this
hide.

This
softens
up the
hide...


...but
destroys
my jaw.

This is
part of the
tanning
process.





Z=14: Those Who Have Faith



**Shelter
acquired!**

HEH
HEH HEH...
BEHOLD EVERY
LITTLE BOY'S
DREAM—THE
MIGHTY TREE
HOUSE!

SO
NOW FOOD,
CLOTHES AND
SHELTER ARE
ALL TAKEN
CARE OF.

NOW, TIME
TO FACE
REALITY...

MY RATIONAL
ATTEMPT TO
IGNORE MY
FATIGUE IS AT
ITS LIMIT...



I'VE BARELY
MANAGED TO
KEEP MYSELF,
A SINGLE
HUMAN, ALIVE.

I HAVEN'T
HAD TIME TO
WORRY ABOUT
STUFF LIKE
SCIENCE OR
PROGRESS.



...I'LL NEED
ONE OTHER
PERSON.
SOMEONE
WITH BRUTE
STRENGTH
AND
STAMINA!

AT THE
VERY
LEAST...



THIS IS
CLOSE TO
WHERE
I BROKE
FREE...

HIS CRAZY-
STRONG
HANDS ARE
EXACTLY
WHAT I
NEED!

...SO HE
PROBABLY
DRIFTED FROM
THE SAME
ORIGINAL
LOCATION AS
I DID.



I'VE
GOT A
HUNCH...

SHK



NOW,
SHALL WE
GO ABOUT
REVIVING
YOU THE
SAME WAY
I WAS, YOU
BIG OAF?

POKE
POKE
POKE



HOW
DID
ALL OF
HUMANI-
TY...



...WIND UP
PETRIFIED
OVER 3,700
YEARS AGO
IN THE FIRST
PLACE?



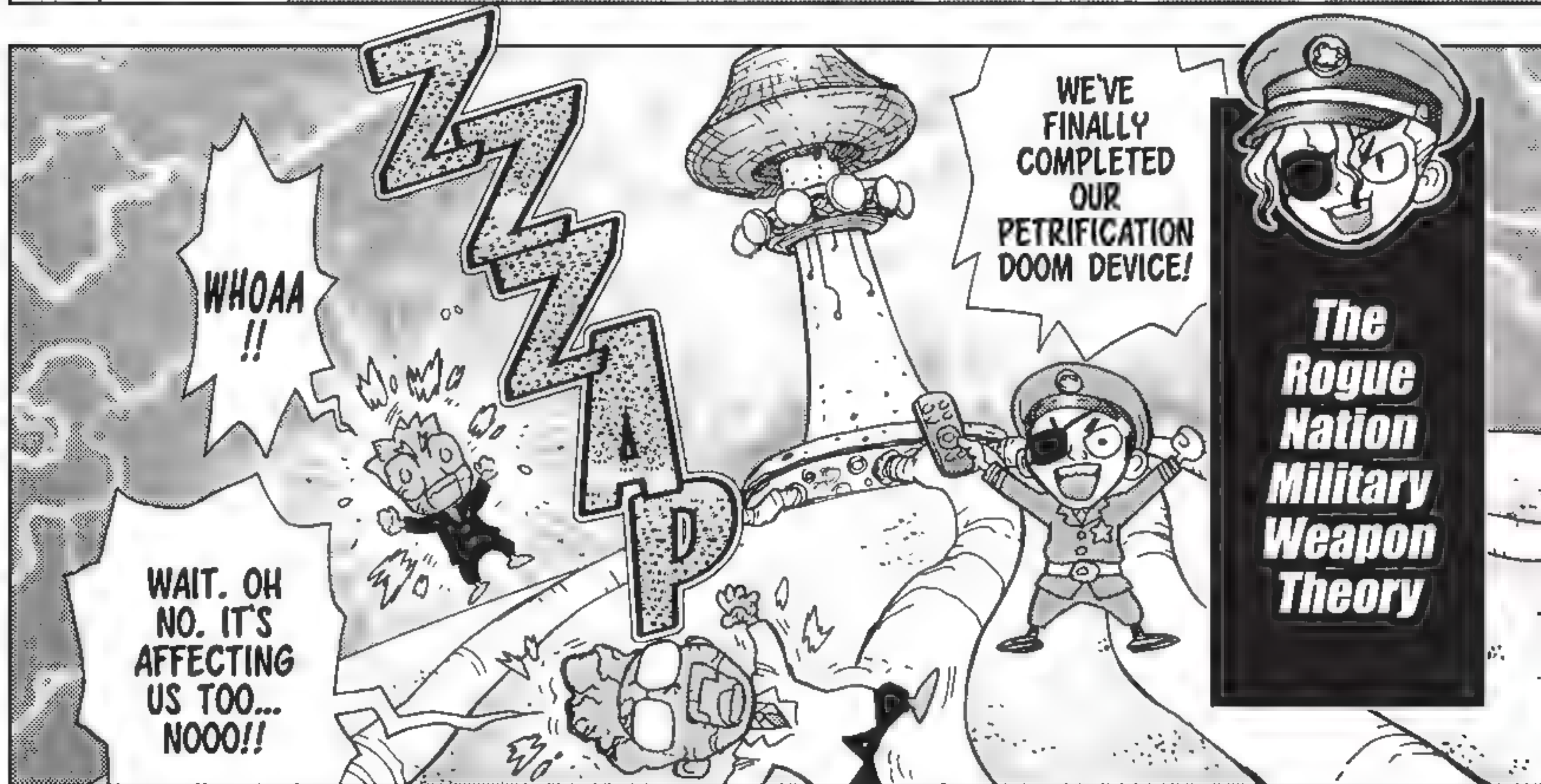
IT'S BEEN
3,700
YEARS...

...YOU
BIG
OAF!



ALTHOUGH I
GET KINDA
SICK OF
LOOKING AT
HIS MUG...

HEH
HEH
HEH...



WHICH
MEANS
I CAN
FIGURE
IT OUT.

SEARCHING
FOR
REPLICABLE
RULES IS AT
THE HEART
OF SCIENCE.

THE
WHOLE DEAL
SEEMS LIKE A
CRAZY FANTASY
PLOT AT FIRST
GLANCE, BUT
THERE'S GOTTA
BE RULES
TO IT!

THE ONE
FACT I
CAN BE
SURE OF...

HEH HEH HEH...
AFTER ALL, PRIMAL
HUMANS ONLY
HAD FANTASTICAL
EXPLANATIONS
FOR THINGS LIKE
VOLCANOES AND
LIGHTNING.




...IS
THAT ONLY
SPARROWS
AND HUMANS
WERE
TARGETED,
SPECIFICALLY.

**GET
EXCITED!**

BUT NOW
I'M THE
PRIMAL
HUMAN.

AND AN
UNPRECEDENTED
SCIENTIFIC
PHENOMENON IS
JUST WAITING
TO BE
DECODED.





THE
PETRIFIED
PEOPLE ARE
STONE ALL THE
WAY DOWN
TO THEIR
CORES.

BUT I
REVIVED
WHEN THE
STONE CRACKED
AWAY LIKE AN
EGGSHELL.

MEANING
ONLY MY
INTERIOR
REVERTED
TO LIVING
CELLS.

NO,
THINK OF
IT THE
OTHER
WAY!!

HENCE
THE STONE
SHELL!

THE
SURFACE WAS
THE ONLY PART
THAT DEGRADED
AND DIDN'T
REVERT TO
CELLS.

GOTTA
THINK. WHAT
RELEASED
ME FROM MY
PETRIFICATION
?

SIMPLE
DEGRADATION
OVER TIME??

BUT IF
THAT SORT
OF EROSION
IS WHAT
REVIVED
ME...

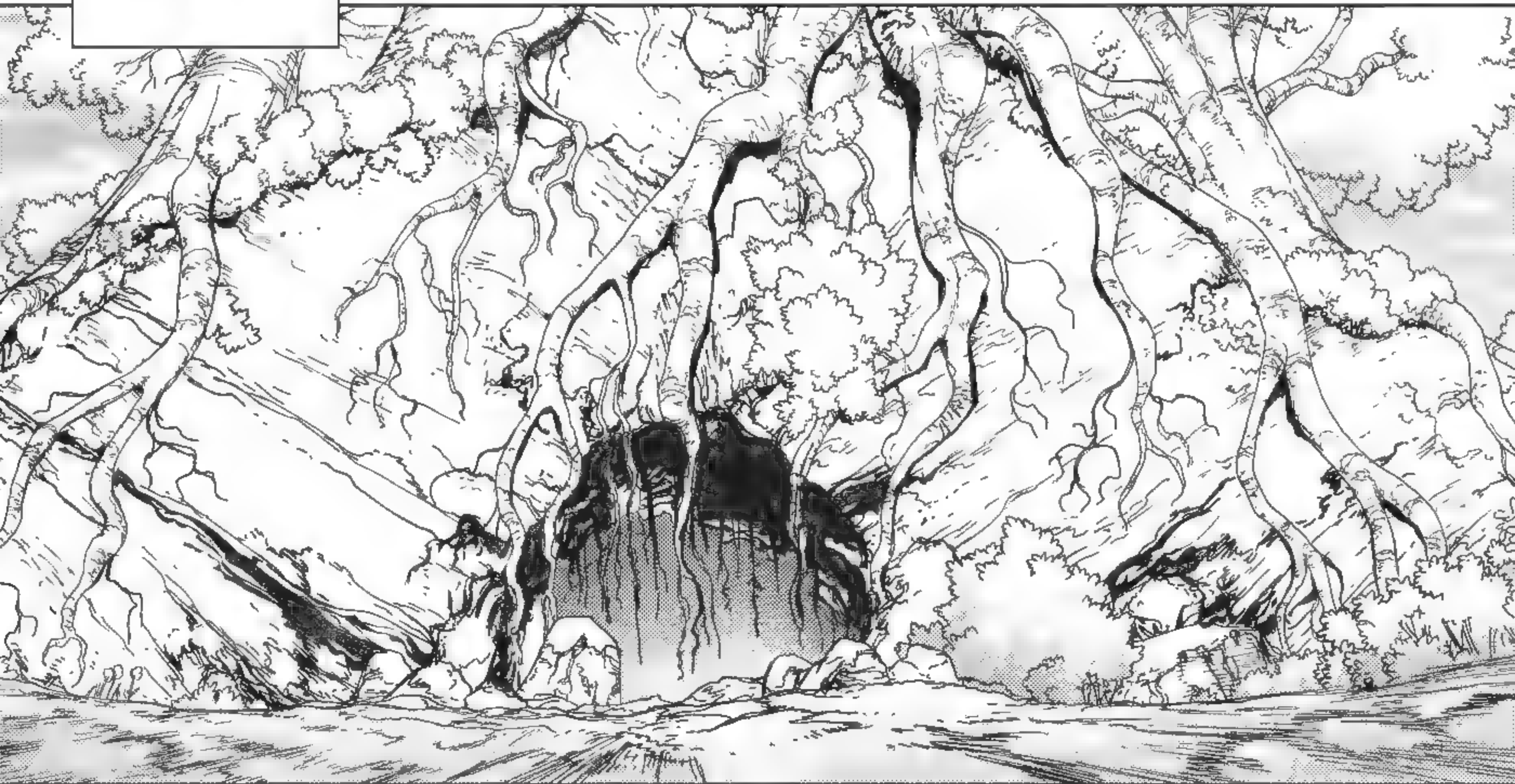
...THEN
WHY WOULD
THE SURFACE,
THE AREA MOST
EXPOSED TO
THE ELEMENTS,
BE LEFT
AS STONE?

SO THE
KEY
TO MY
REVIVAL...

...MUST
HAVE BEEN
A UNIQUE,
EXTERNAL
FACTOR.

SPOTS ON
THE SHELL
THAT DIDN'T
ERODE MUCH
TURNED BACK
INTO CELLS.

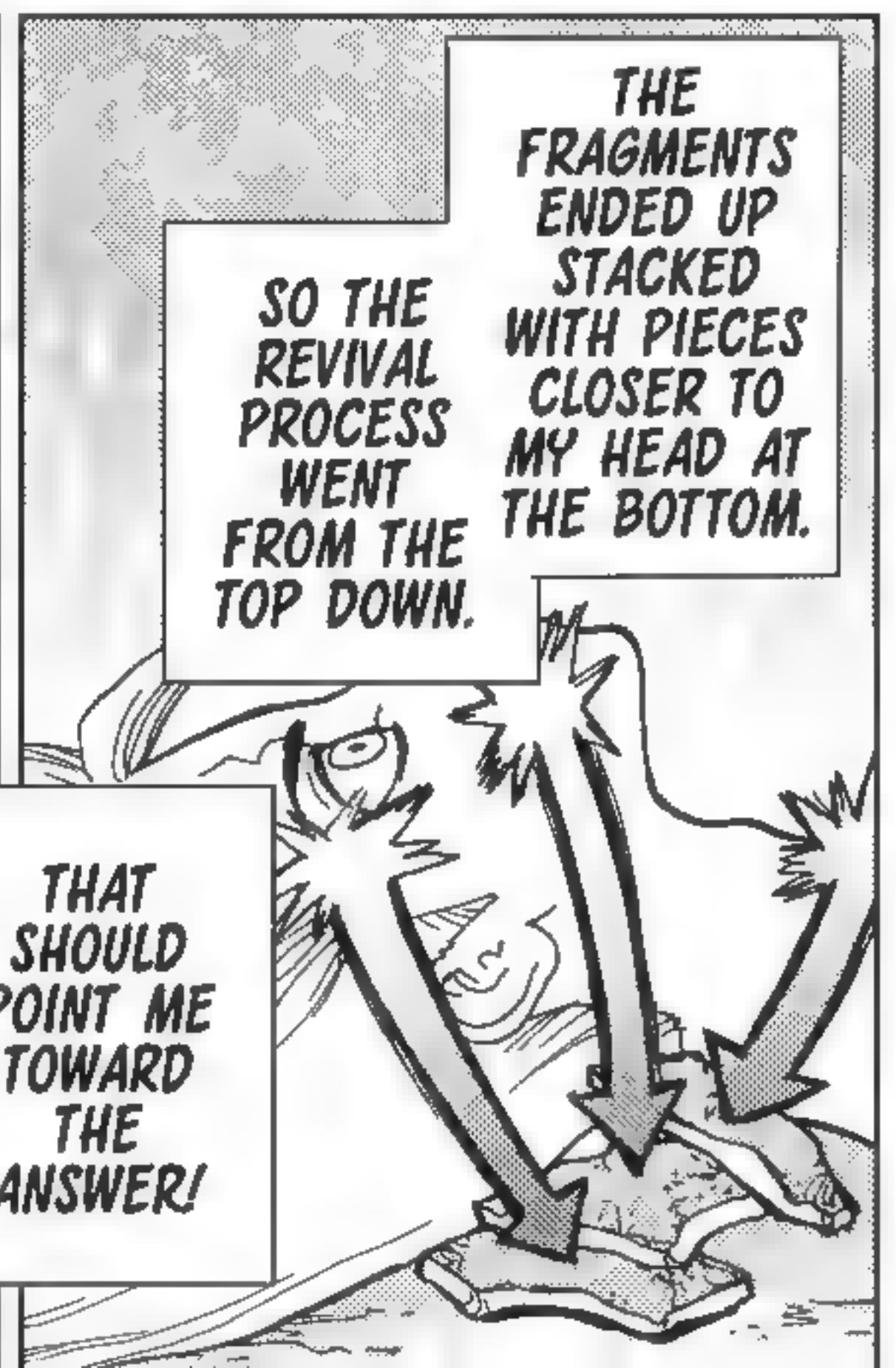
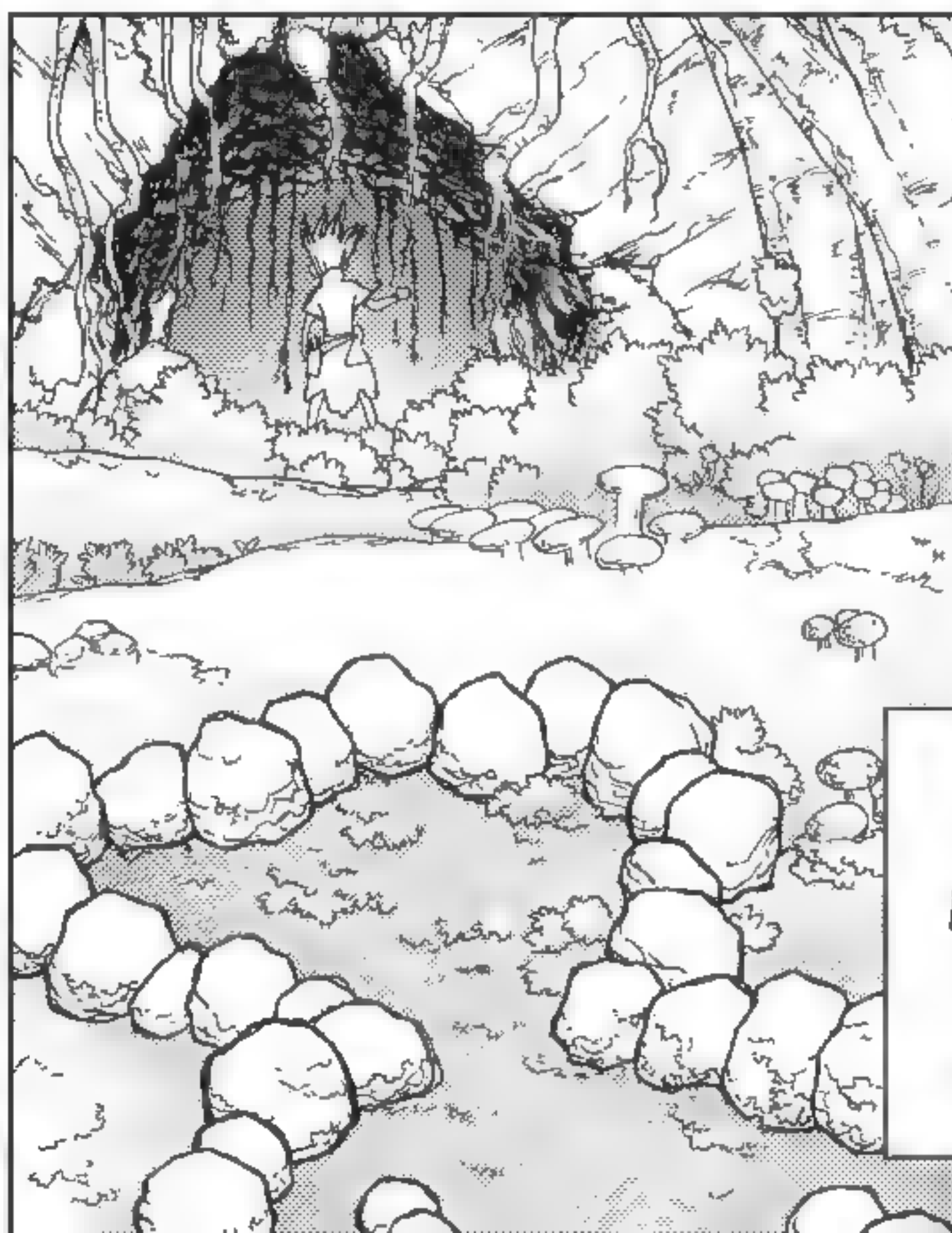
THAT'S WHY
MY JIGSAW
PUZZLE
RECONSTRUCTION
OF THE
SHELL HAS
HOLES IN IT.



THE
FRAGMENTS
ENDED UP
STACKED
WITH PIECES
CLOSER TO
MY HEAD AT
THE BOTTOM.

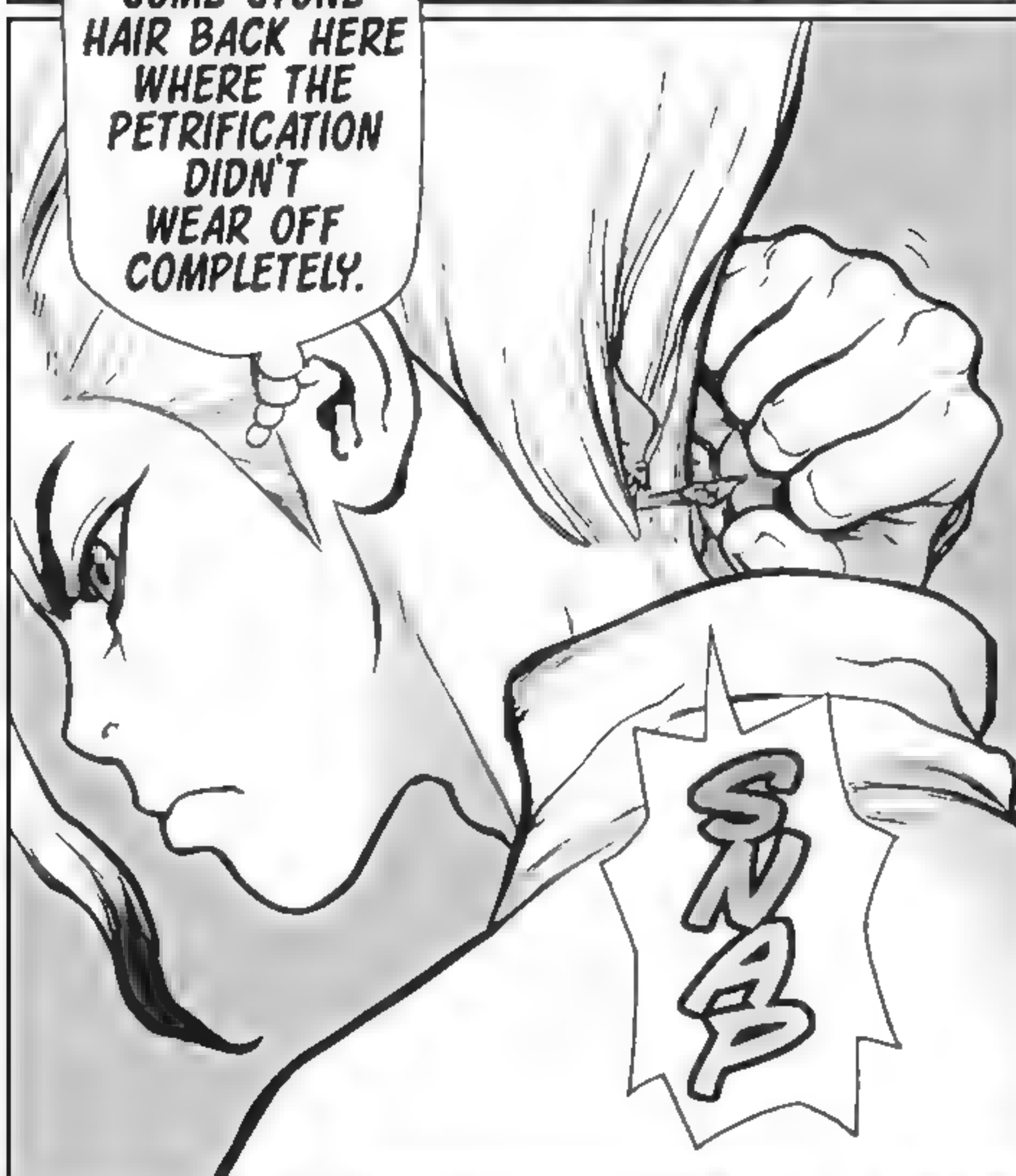
SO THE
REVIVAL
PROCESS
WENT
FROM THE
TOP DOWN.

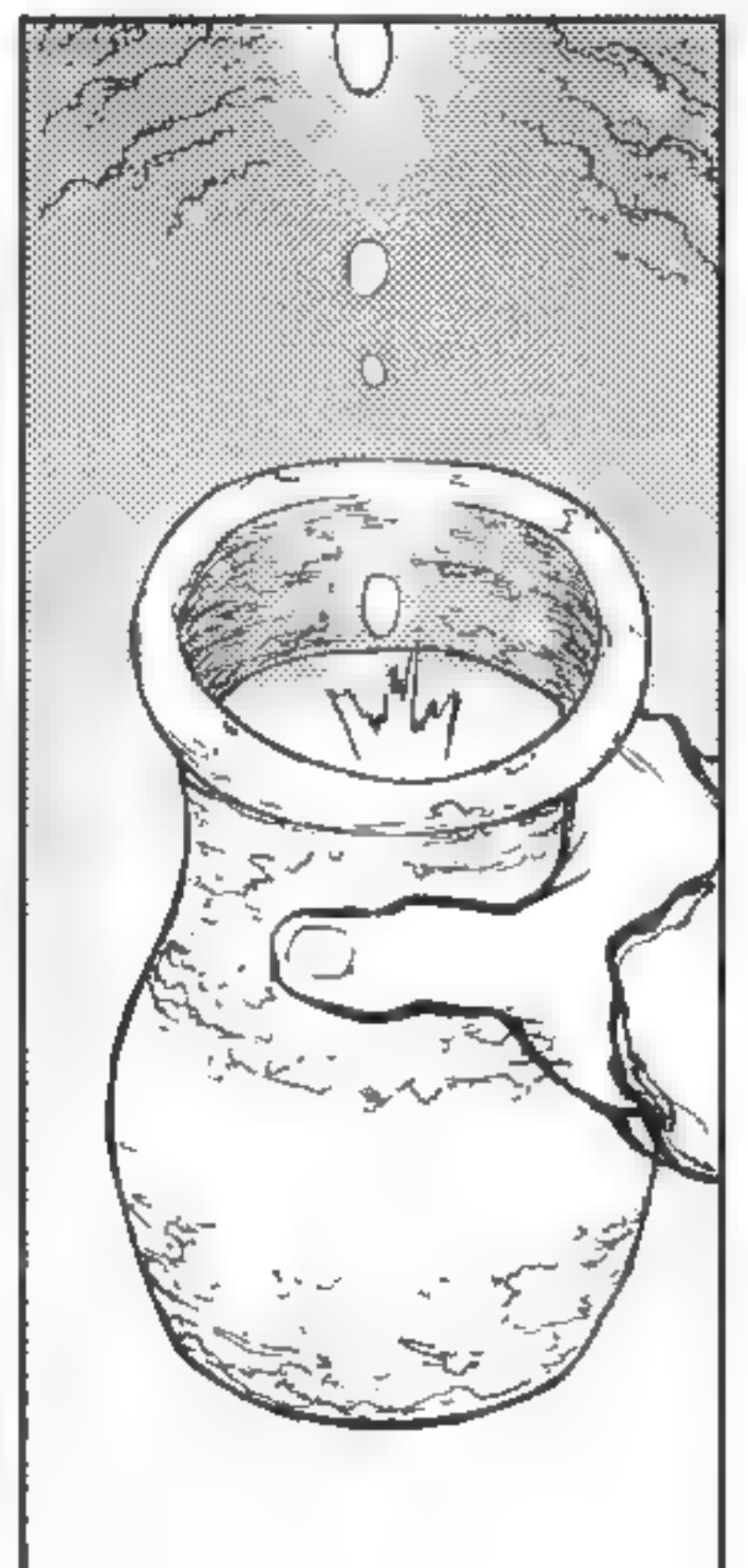
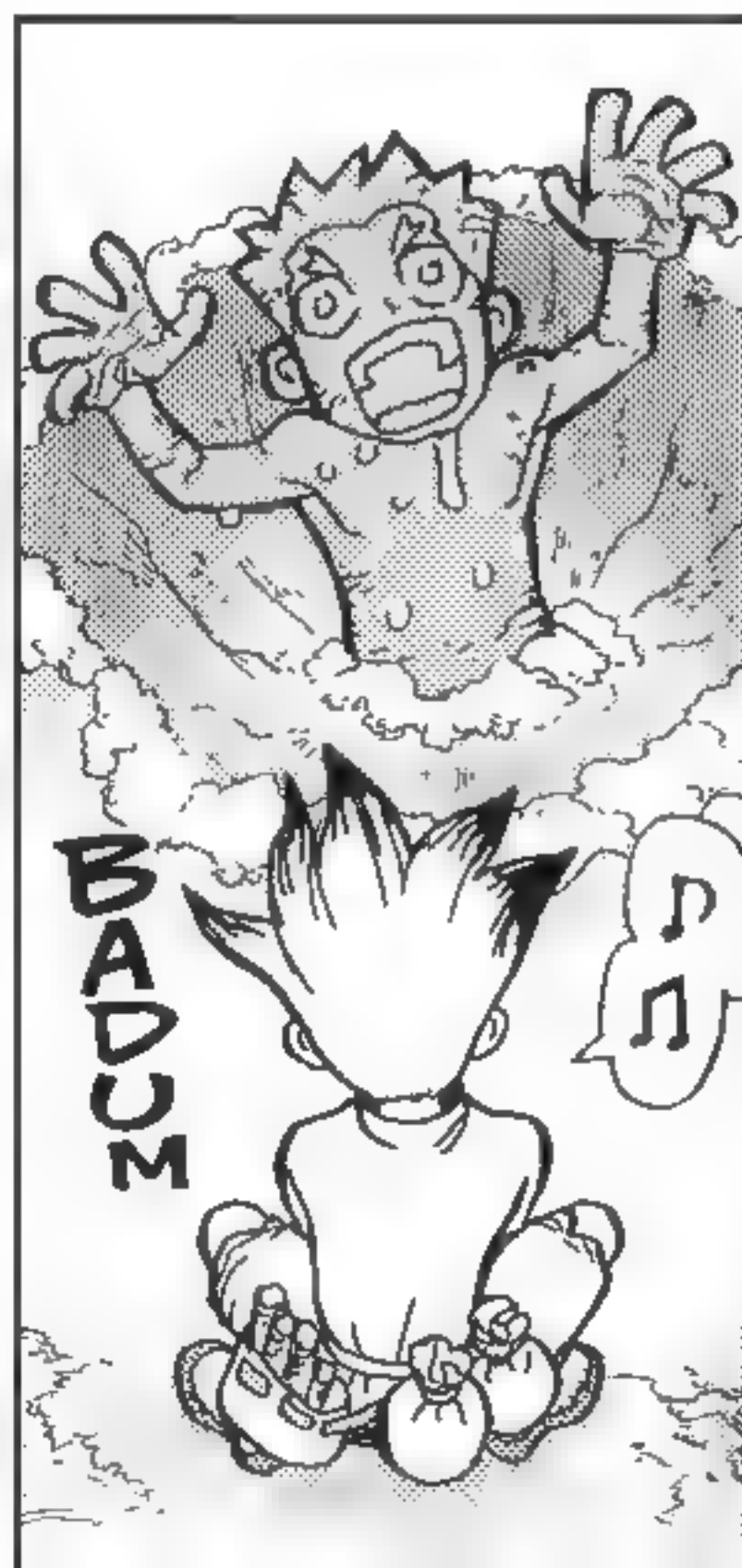
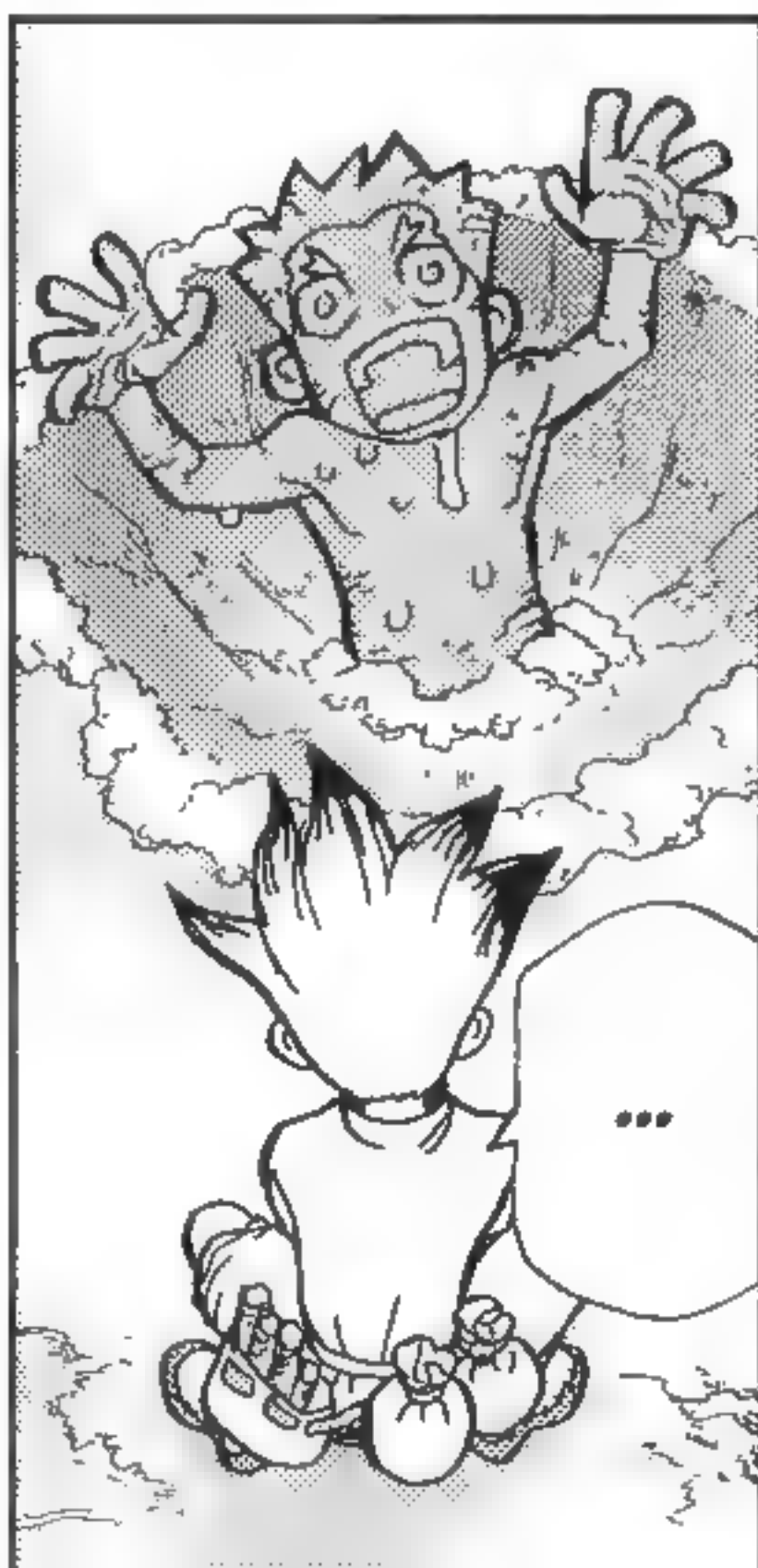
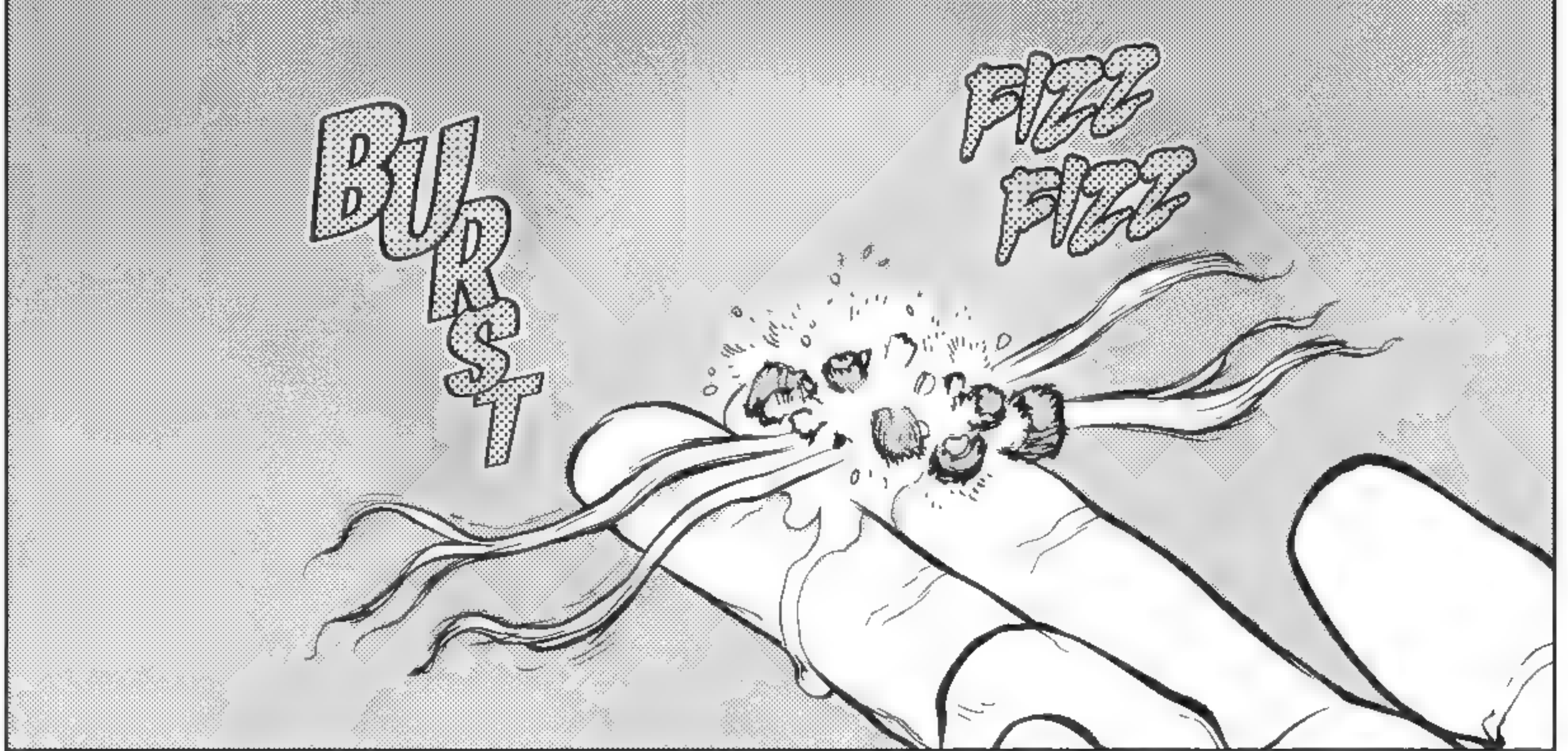
THAT
SHOULD
POINT ME
TOWARD
THE
ANSWER!

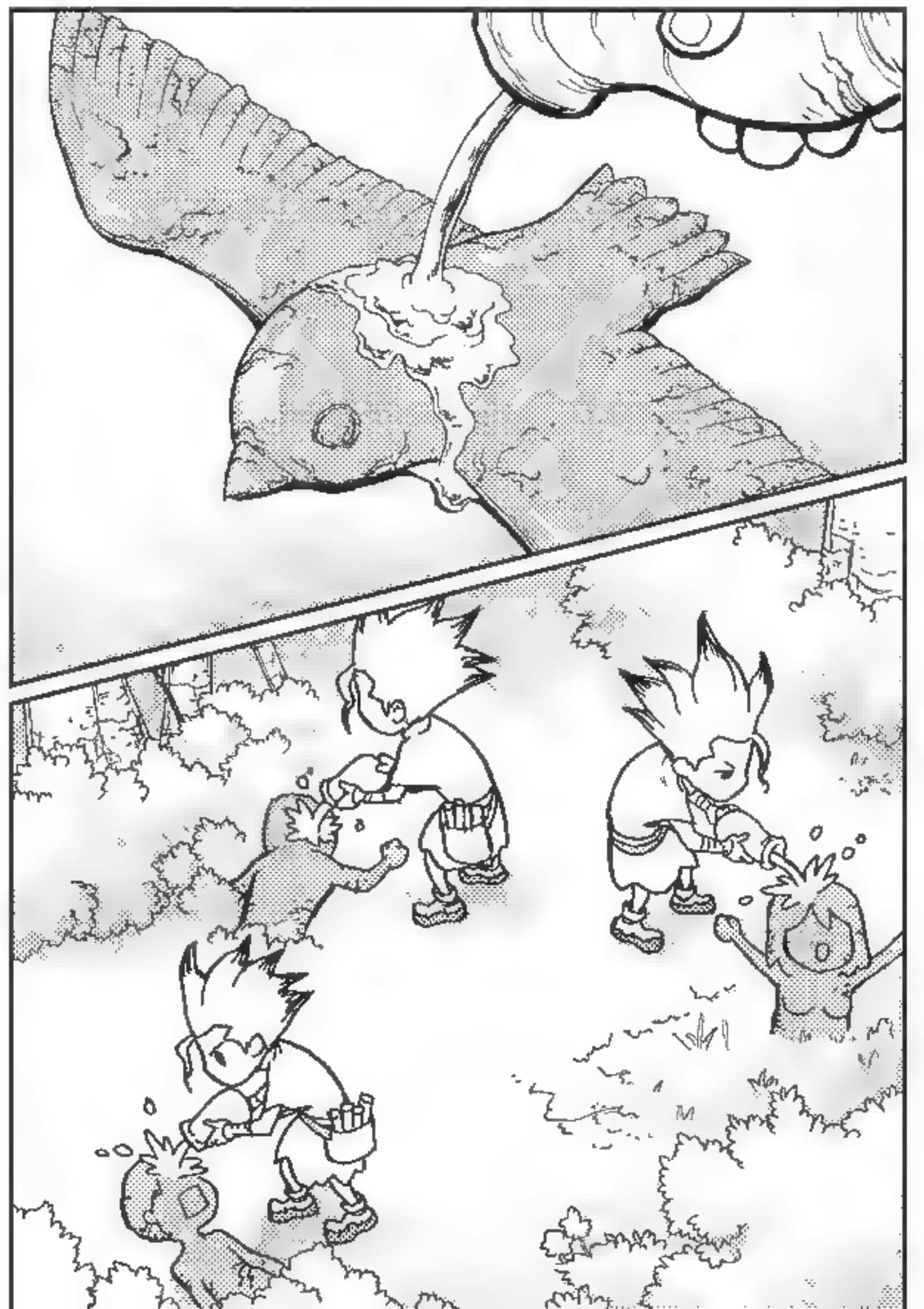
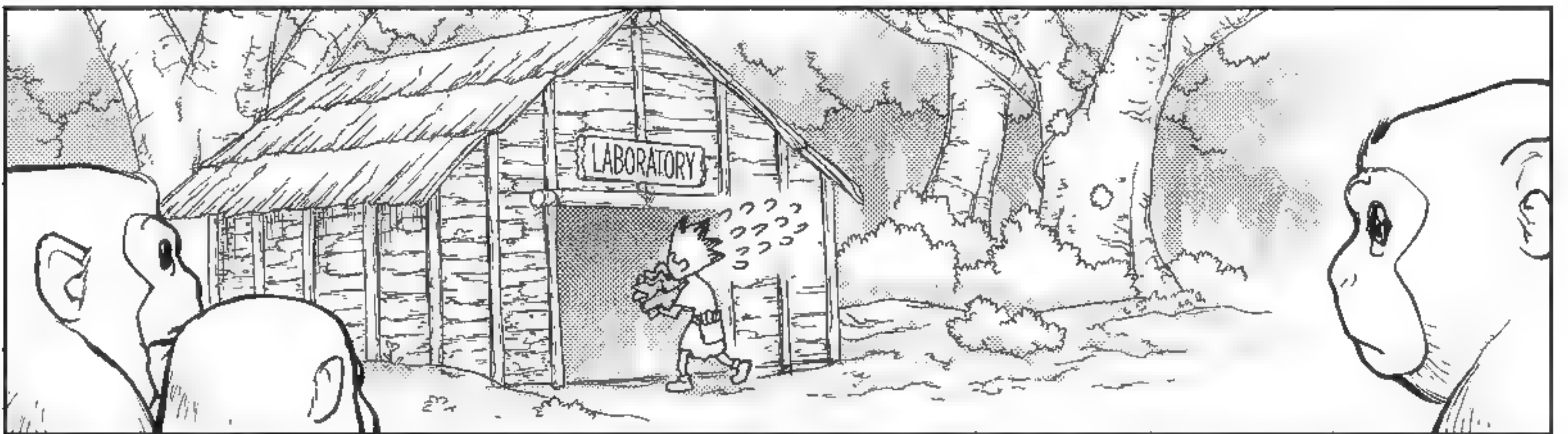




I STILL HAVE
SOME STONE
HAIR BACK HERE
WHERE THE
PETRIFICATION
DIDN'T
WEAR OFF
COMPLETELY.

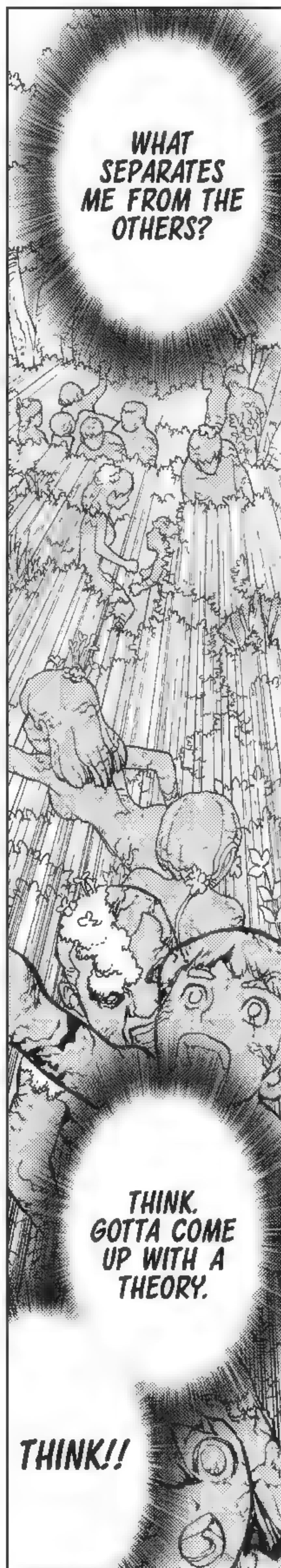
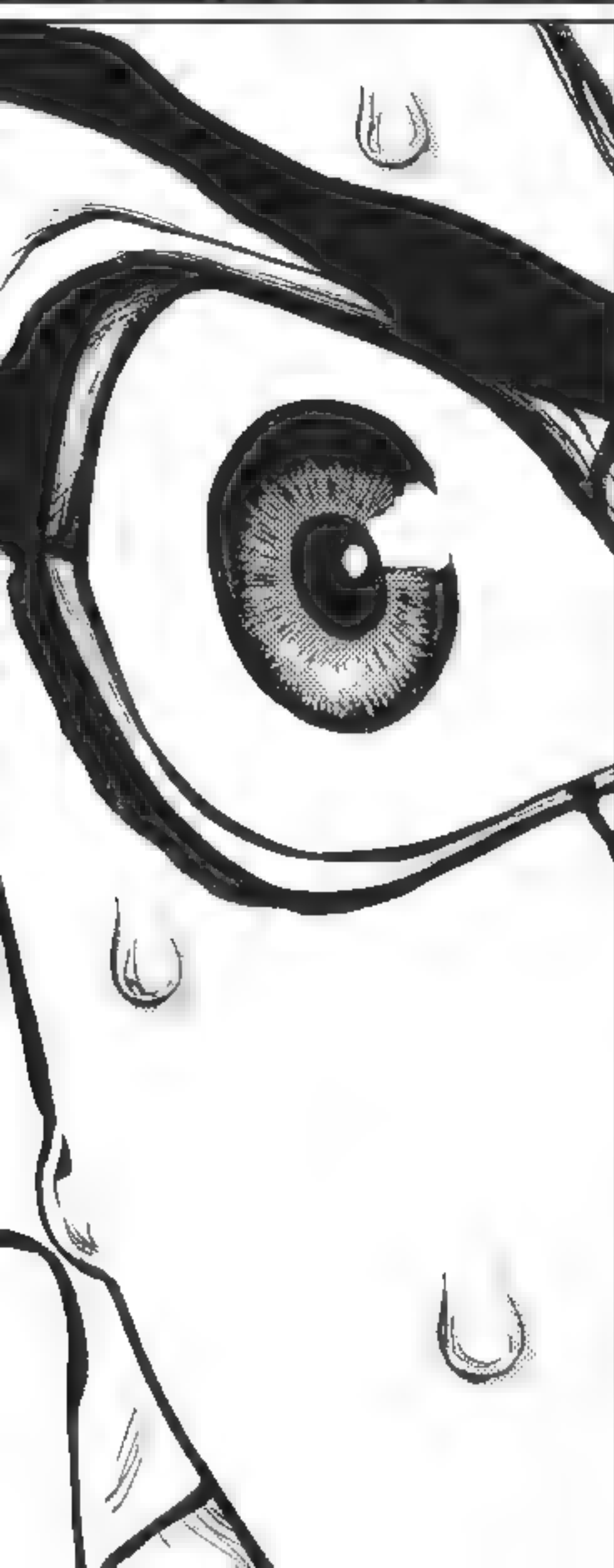








THINK...



WHAT
SEPARATES
ME FROM THE
OTHERS?

THINK.
GOTTA COME
UP WITH A
THEORY.

THINK!!



WHY'D
THE NITRIC
ACID ONLY
WORK ON
ME??


ESPECIALLY
SINCE IT'S
NOT HAVING
EVEN ONE
MILLIMETER
OF AN EFFECT
ON TAIJU, THE
SPARROWS OR
ANYONE ELSE?

WHY IS
THAT??

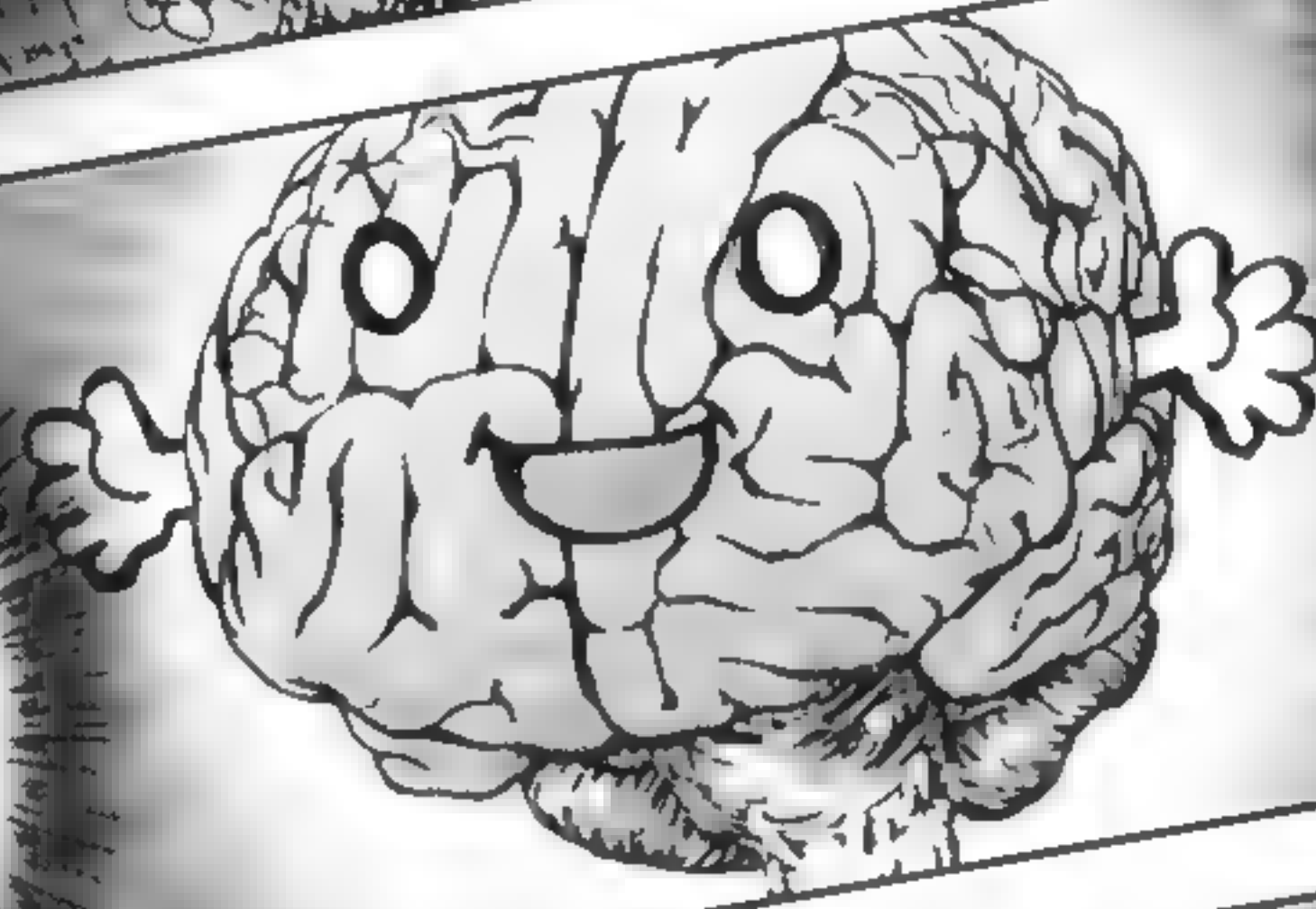


**OF
COURSE.**

**I WAS
THINKING.**



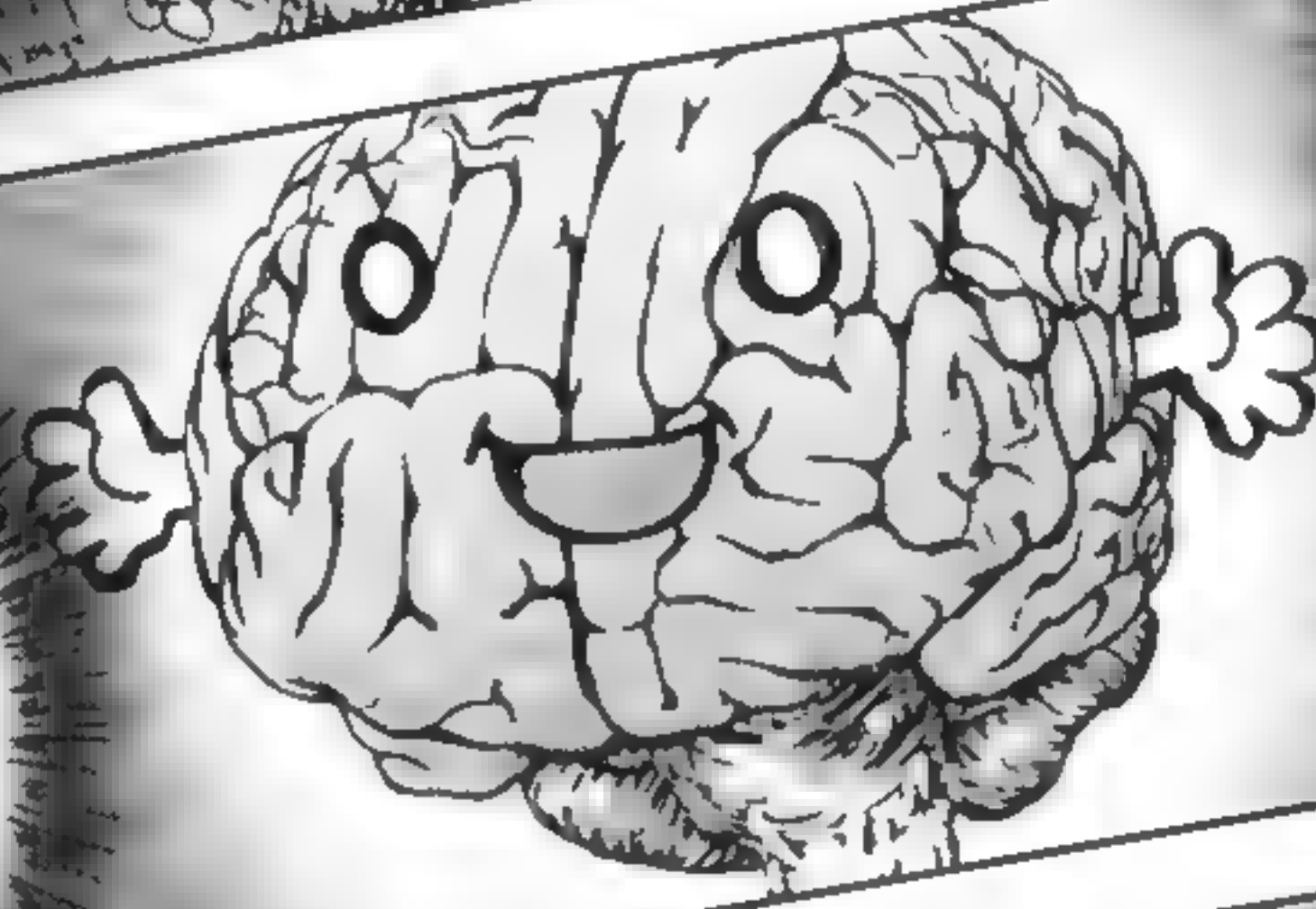
**FOR
3,700 YEARS,
I NEVER LET MY
CONSCIOUSNESS
DRIFT AWAY!**



**THE BRAIN
USES
ABOUT 400
CALORIES
PER DAY.**

**SO
WHERE'D
THAT
ENERGY
COME
FROM??**

**DO THE
CONVERSION
FOR 3,700
YEARS, AND
YOU'D NEED
OVER TWO
TRILLION
JOULES!**



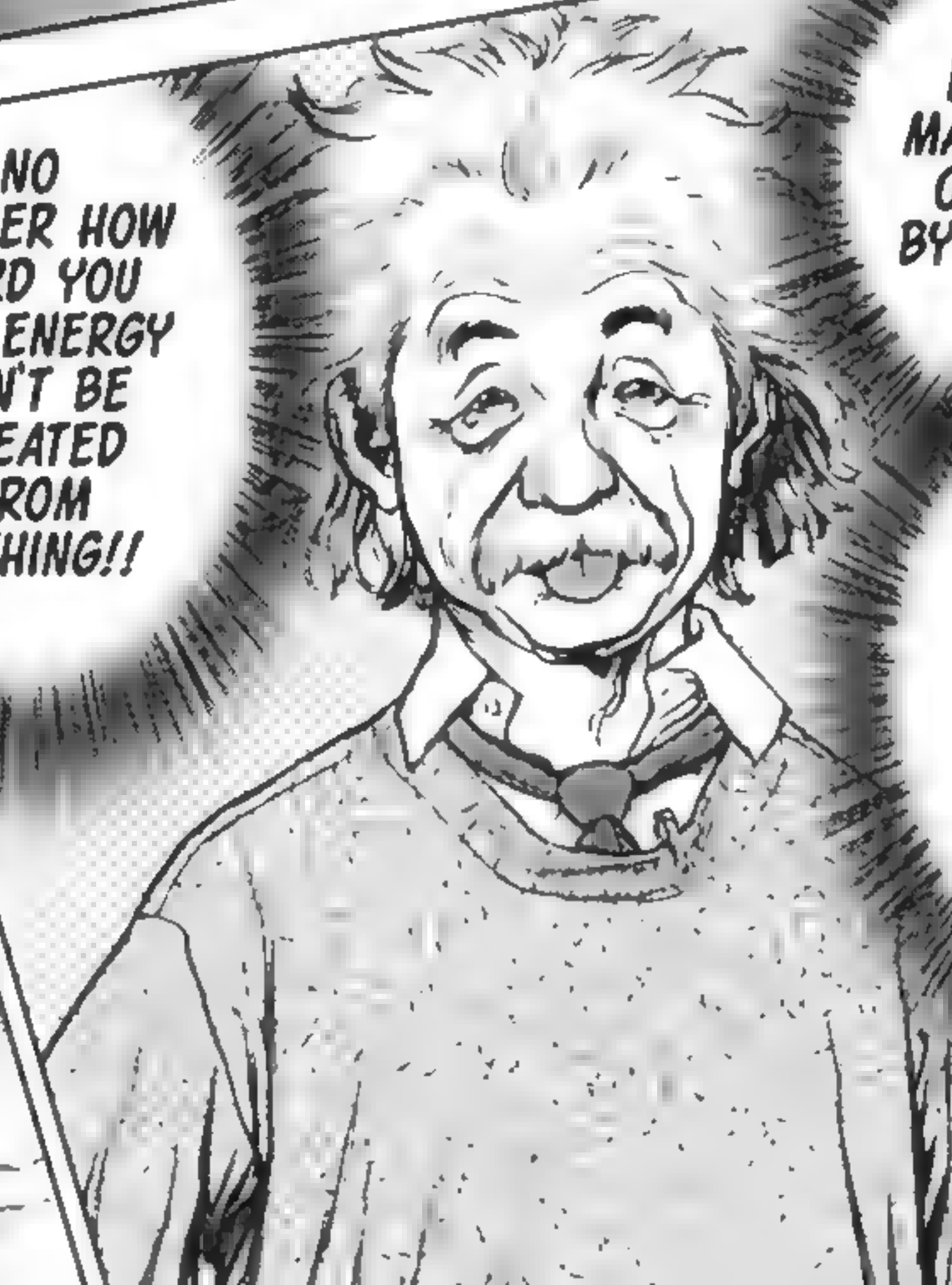
**ENERGY AND
MASS RELATE TO
ONE ANOTHER
BY THE FORMULA
 $E=MC^2$.**



**...MUST'VE
CONSUMED
SOMETHING
IN THE
STONE.**

**ALL THAT
ENERGY
MY BRAIN
WAS
USING...**

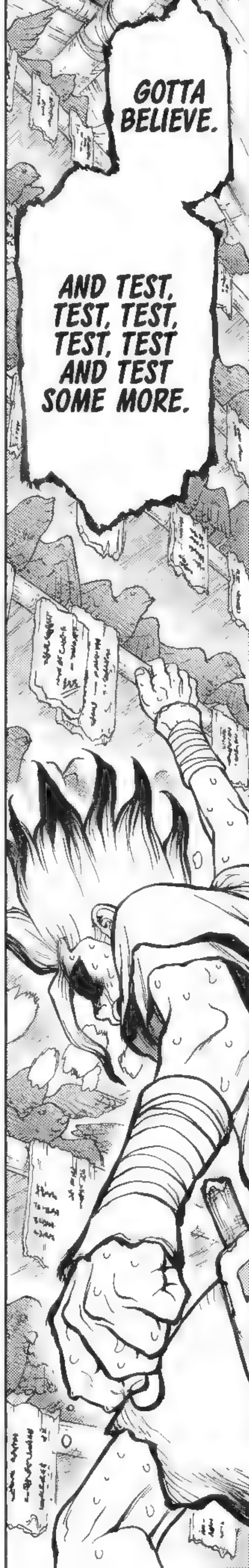
**NO
MATTER HOW
HARD YOU
TRY, ENERGY
CAN'T BE
CREATED
FROM
NOTHING!!**



**IT'S A BASIC
SCIENTIFIC
TRUTH THAT
OLD MAN
EINSTEIN
TAUGHT US.**



**NEVER
FORGET. NO
MATTER HOW
FANTASTICAL
THIS STONE
BUSINESS
SEEMS...**



**GOTTA
BELIEVE.**

**AND TEST,
TEST, TEST,
TEST, TEST
AND TEST
SOME MORE.**



**BY
EATING
AWAY
AT THAT
SOME-
THING...**

**...MY
PETRIFICA-
TION CAME
UNDONE!**



**RUB
RUB**

**I'LL TRY
ANYTHING.**




**RUN
EVERY
TEST.**

**I'D LOVE TO
TRY OUT AN
INDUSTRIAL-
STRENGTH
CORROSIVE
AGENT LIKE
NITOR, BUT...**



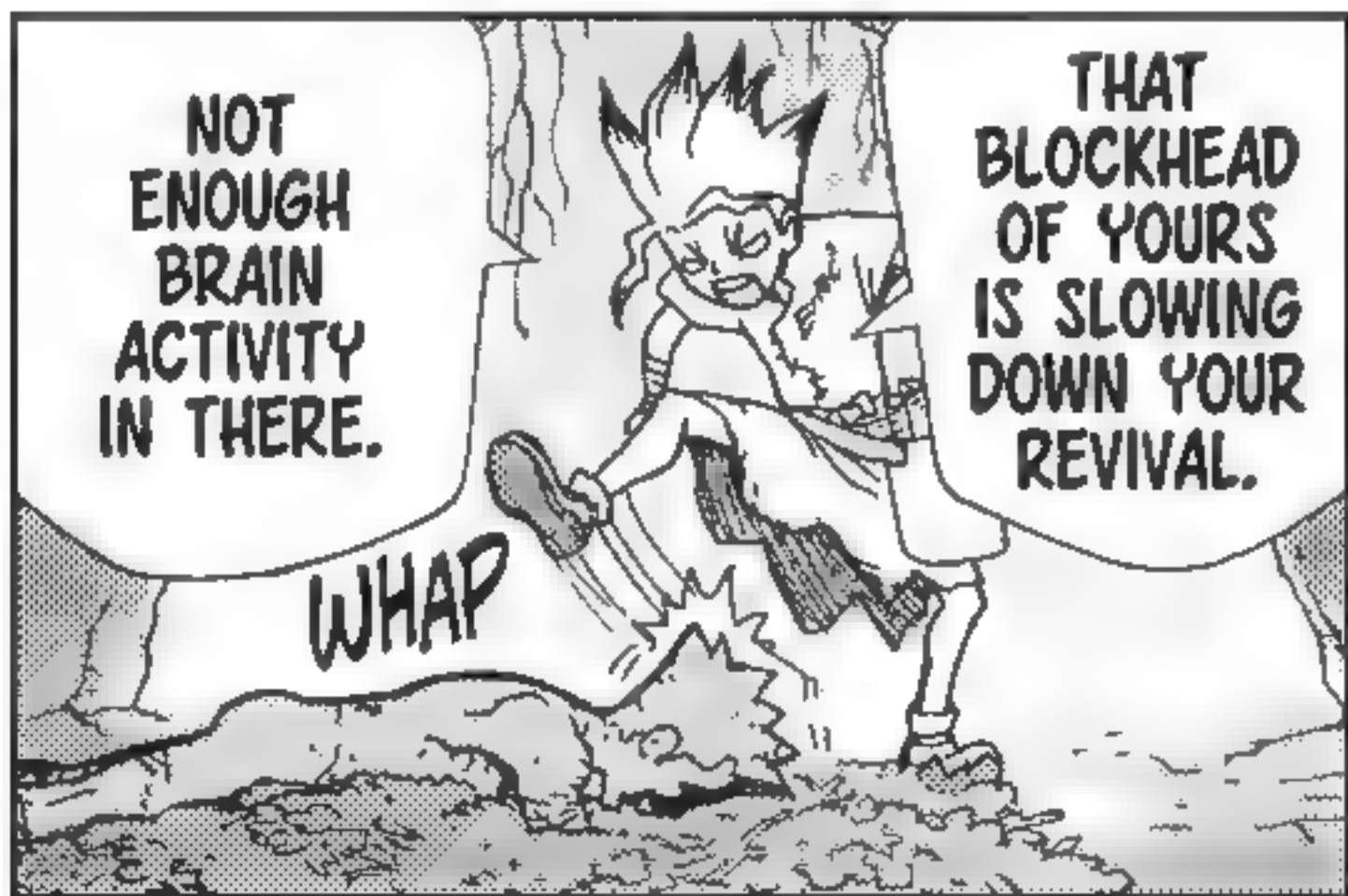
**CRAP!
WHERE CAN
I GET THE
ALCOHOL?!**



**THE CORE
PRINCIPLES
OF
SCIENCE...**

**...ARE
ROCK
SOLID!!**

E



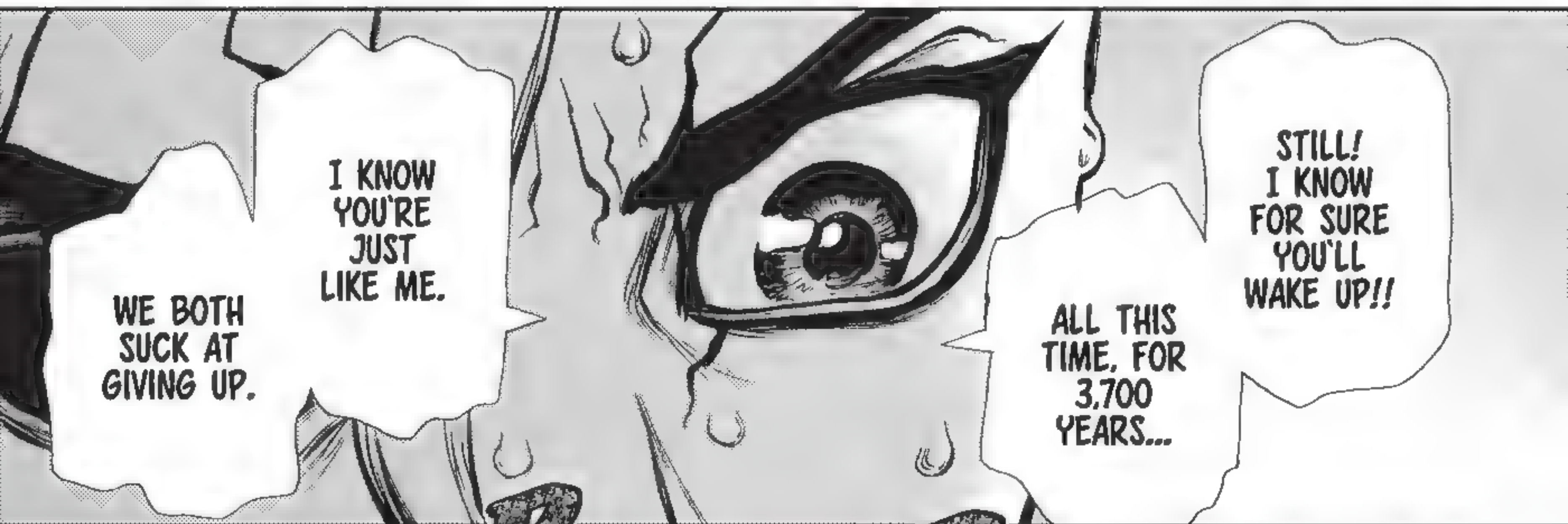
NOT
ENOUGH
BRAIN
ACTIVITY
IN THERE.

THAT
BLOCKHEAD
OF YOURS
IS SLOWING
DOWN YOUR
REVIVAL.



...SO SOAK
UP THAT
NITRIC ACID
AND WAKE
UP ALREADY!

I STILL
NEED
HELP...

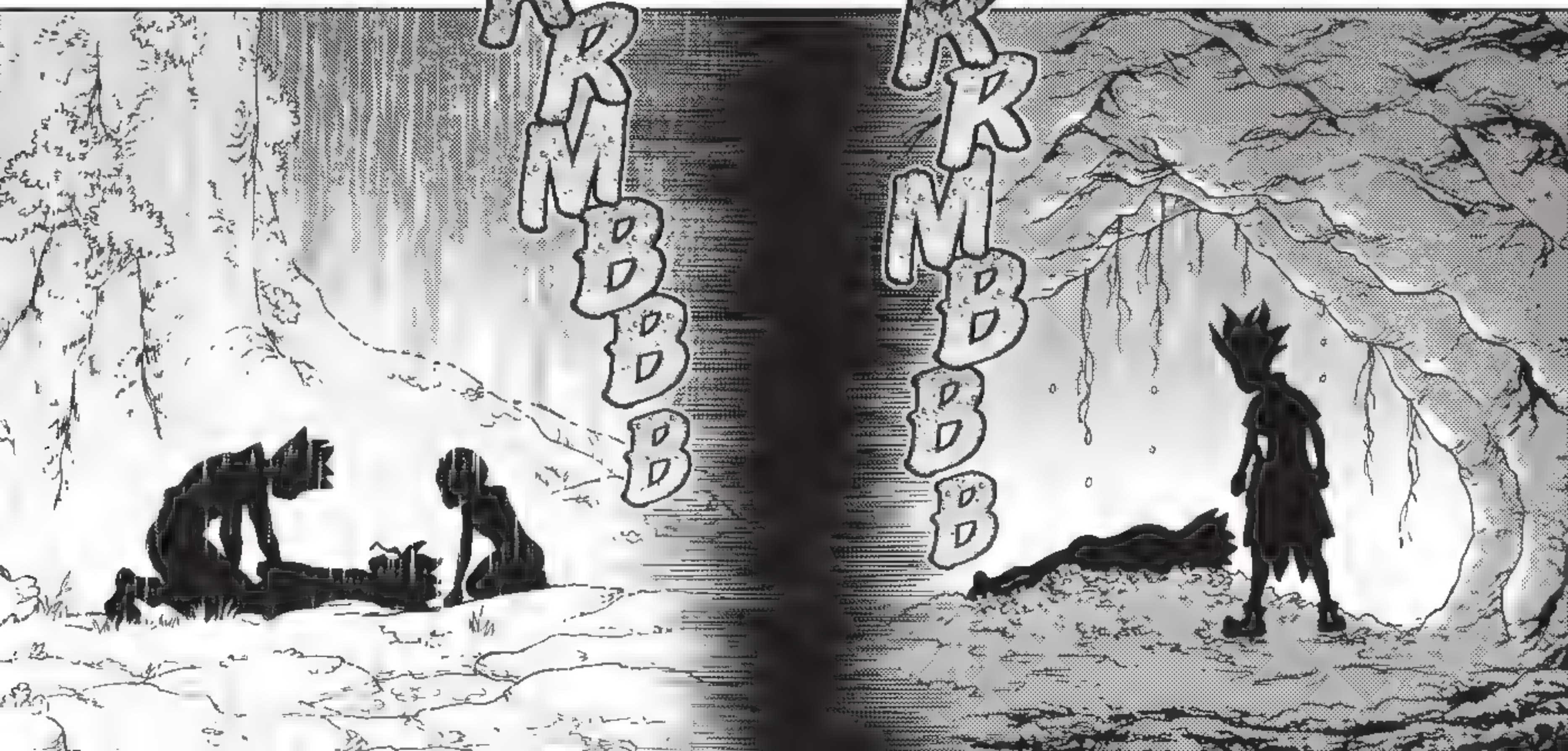


WE BOTH
SUCK AT
GIVING UP.

I KNOW
YOU'RE
JUST
LIKE ME.

ALL THIS
TIME, FOR
3,700
YEARS...

STILL!
I KNOW
FOR SURE
YOU'LL
WAKE UP!!





**WAKE UP,
SENKU!!**



**WAKE UP,
TAIJU!**

**I CAN'T
DO THIS
ALONE...**



**I HAVE
FAITH...**

**...SO
I'LL
WAIT AS
LONG
AS IT
TAKES.**

He ain't
lion!

See
volume
1...
RAWR!



Now
where'd
those
monkeys
run off to?



Maybe some
carnivores
have taken
up residence
around
here?

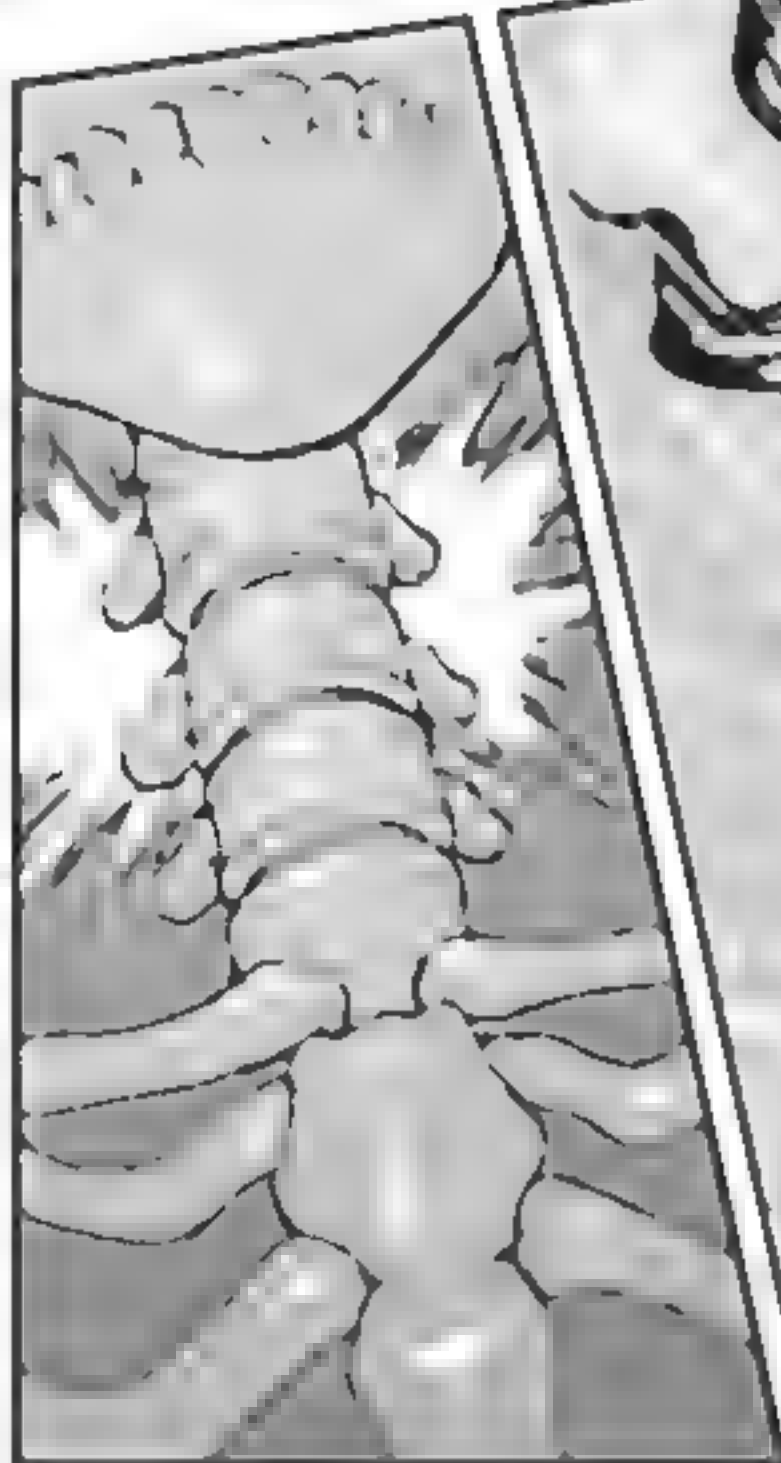


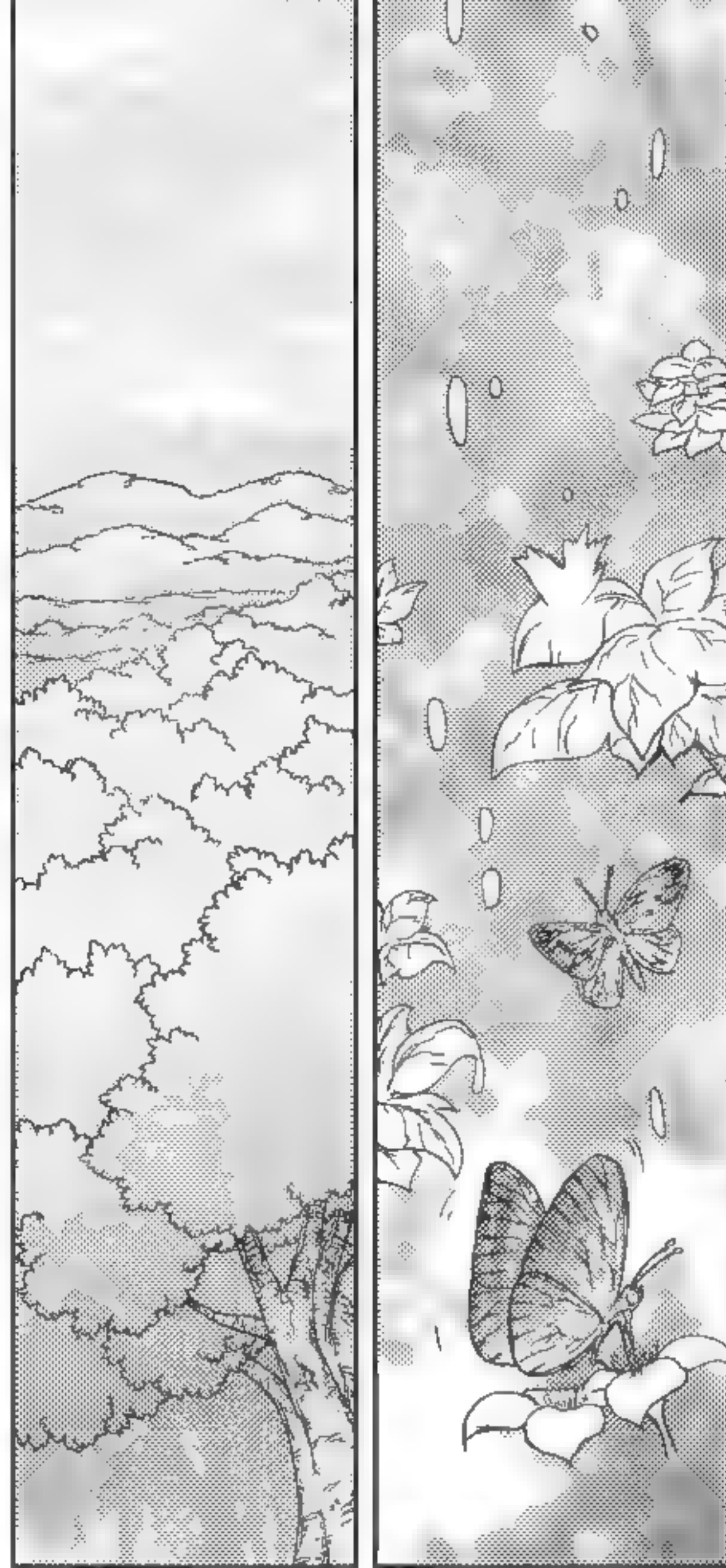


**Z=15: Two Kingdoms
of the Stone World**

SENKU
!!

COME
BACK TO
US...





YEAHHHHHHH!



GWAHHHHH!

SEN...

...KU!

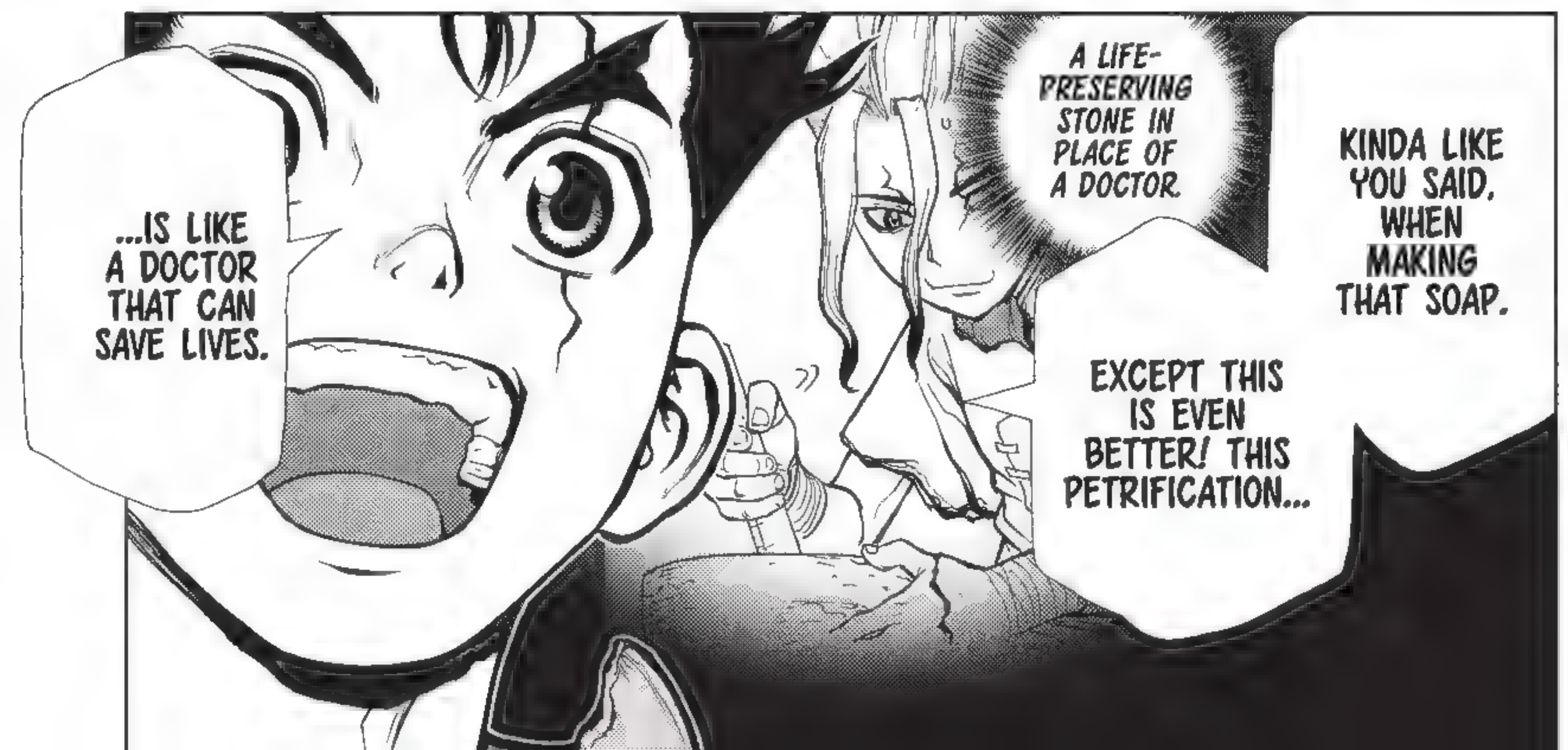
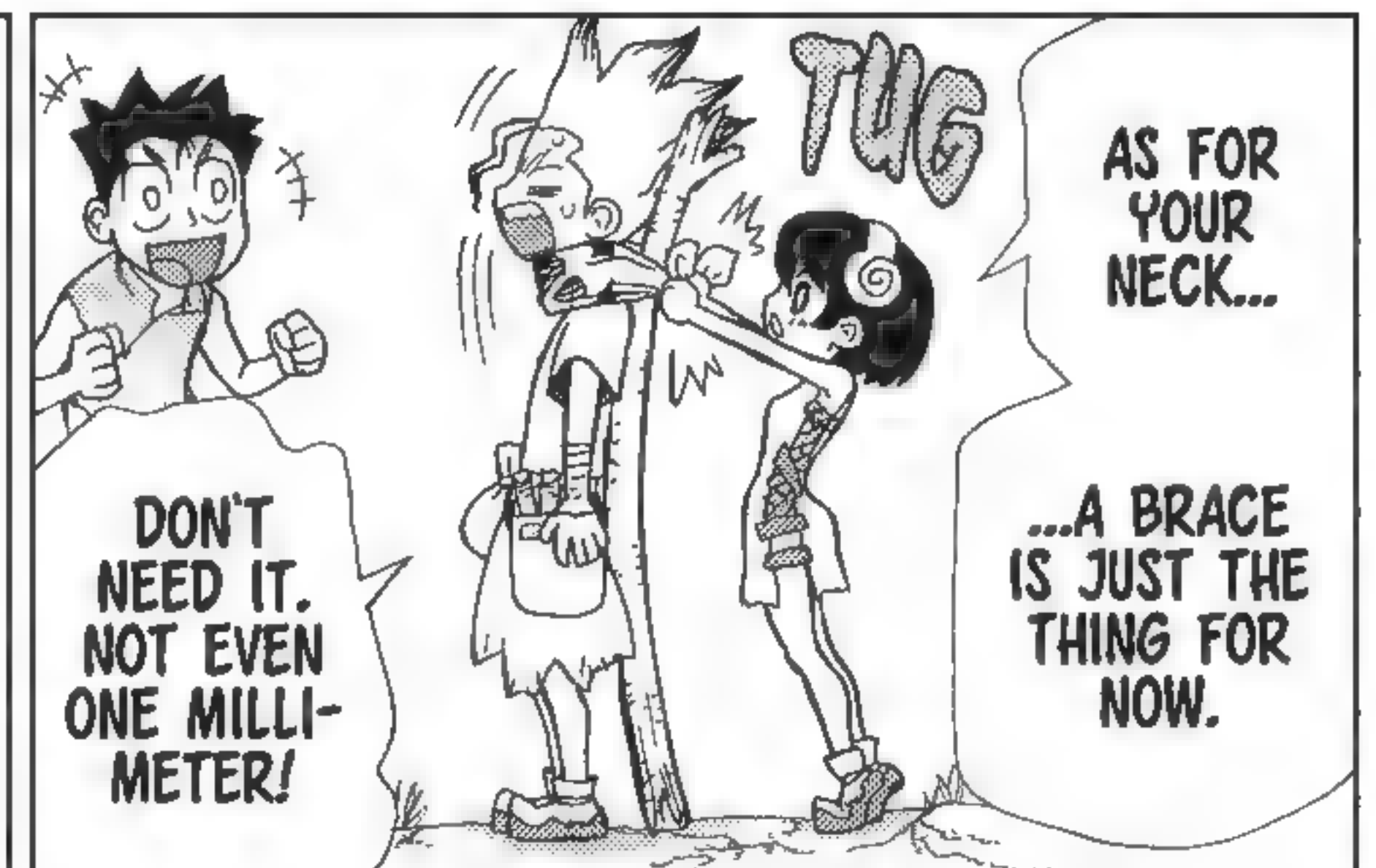
TAIJU.
YUZURIHA.

TEN
BILLION
POINTS FOR
THE TWO
OF YOU!

HEH
HEH HEH...
NICE JOB,
NOTICING MY
NECK LIKE
THAT, DESPITE
ONLY HAVING
A CRAPPY
HINT TO HELP
YOU...



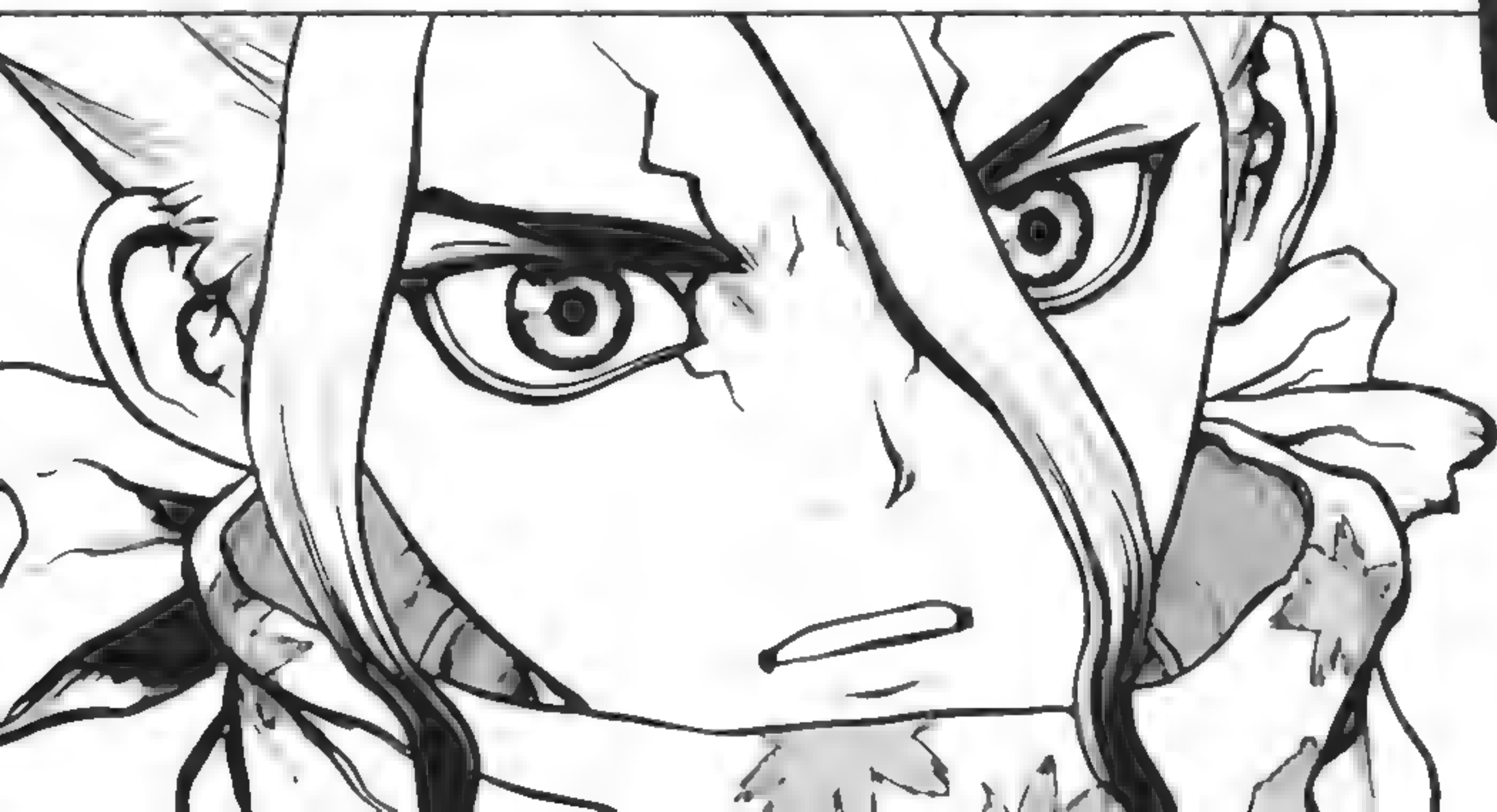






DR. STONE!

RIGHT?!



**...AN
ATTACK
TO BEGIN
WITH?**

**WAS IT
REALLY...**

IT'S
BIZARRE,
NOW THAT
I THINK
ABOUT IT.

THAT'S
AN ODDLY
BENEFICIAL
SCIENTIFIC
PHENOMENON.

"UNDOING THE
PETRIFICATION
RESULTS IN
COMPLETE
REJUVENATION
OF THE
SURROUNDING
AREA."

I'VE BEEN
WONDERING
THIS WHOLE
TIME...

OR...

WHO TURNED
HUMANITY TO
STONE? WHO
PLANNED
THIS
ATTACK?



BUT
IF THE
HEALING
FACTOR IS
SO STRONG,
THEN WHY...

I TRIED ALL
SORTS OF
EXPERIMENTS
LIKE THAT
EARLY ON. THE
PIECES JUST
REVERT TO
DEAD TISSUE.

...WE COULD
STICK THESE
STATUE PIECES
TOGETHER AND
USE THE REVIVAL
FLUID TO MAKE
THEM WHOLE
AGAIN.

SINCE
YOUR
NECK GOT
HEALED,
MAYBE...



**W
H
O
A
!**



...WE
SHOULD
HEAD BACK
TO TSUKASA.

WE'RE
THINKING...

**BACK TO
TSUKASA!**

**OH, IS
THAT
ALL?**



HEH HEH
HEH... GREAT.
THAT WAS
EASY.

THAT'S
COMPLETELY
NUTS.
INSANE!

BUT
I'LL DO
IT!

WHAT'S
THE BIG
SECRET? NO
FAIR. LEMME
IN ON IT!

HANDI-
CRAFTS ARE
ALL ABOUT
PERSISTENCE,
AFTER ALL.





GASP

**WHAAAT
?!**



HEH
HEH HEH...
AND THAT'S
EXACTLY...

...WHAT WE
GAINED FROM
OUR LATEST
BATTLE!

WE REALLY
THOUGHT
THAT NASTY
TSUKASA
HAD KILLED
SENKU!

BUT WHY?!
HE'S THE
SAVAGE WHO
KILLED SENKU.
WELL, ALMOST
KILLED!

HE
MIGHT'VE
BEEN A GOOD
GUY ONCE,
BUT... NO,
NOT EVEN!



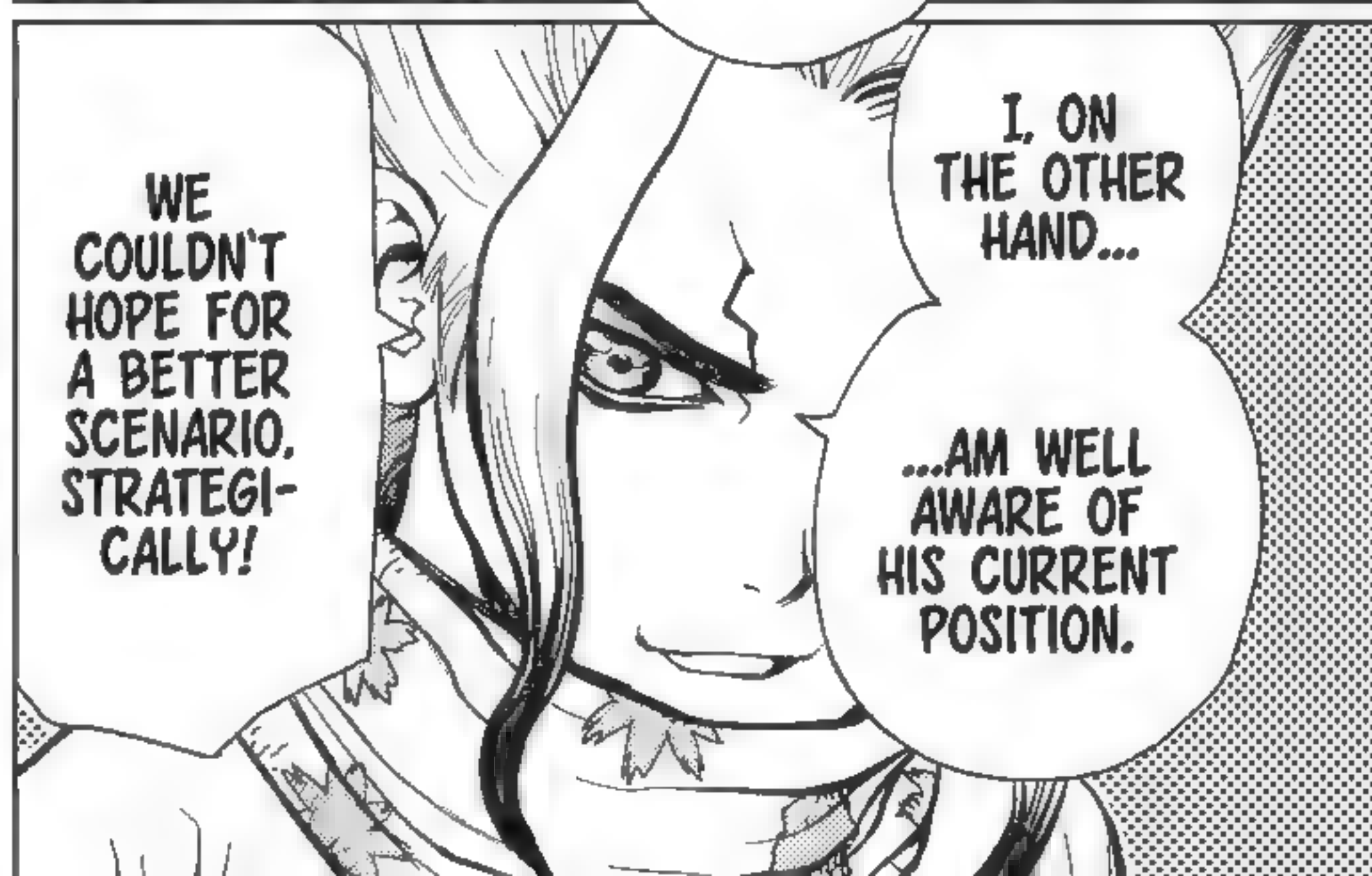
YOU
TWO WILL
ACT AS
SPIES...

...AND
SNEAK
INTO THE
TSUKASA
EMPIRE!!



TSUKASA IS
CONVINCED
...

...THAT I'M
ROTTING IN
HELL.



WE
COULDN'T
HOPE FOR A
BETTER
SCENARIO,
STRATEGI-
CALLY!

I, ON
THE OTHER
HAND...

...AM WELL
AWARE OF
HIS CURRENT
POSITION.



LEAVE
IT TO
ME!

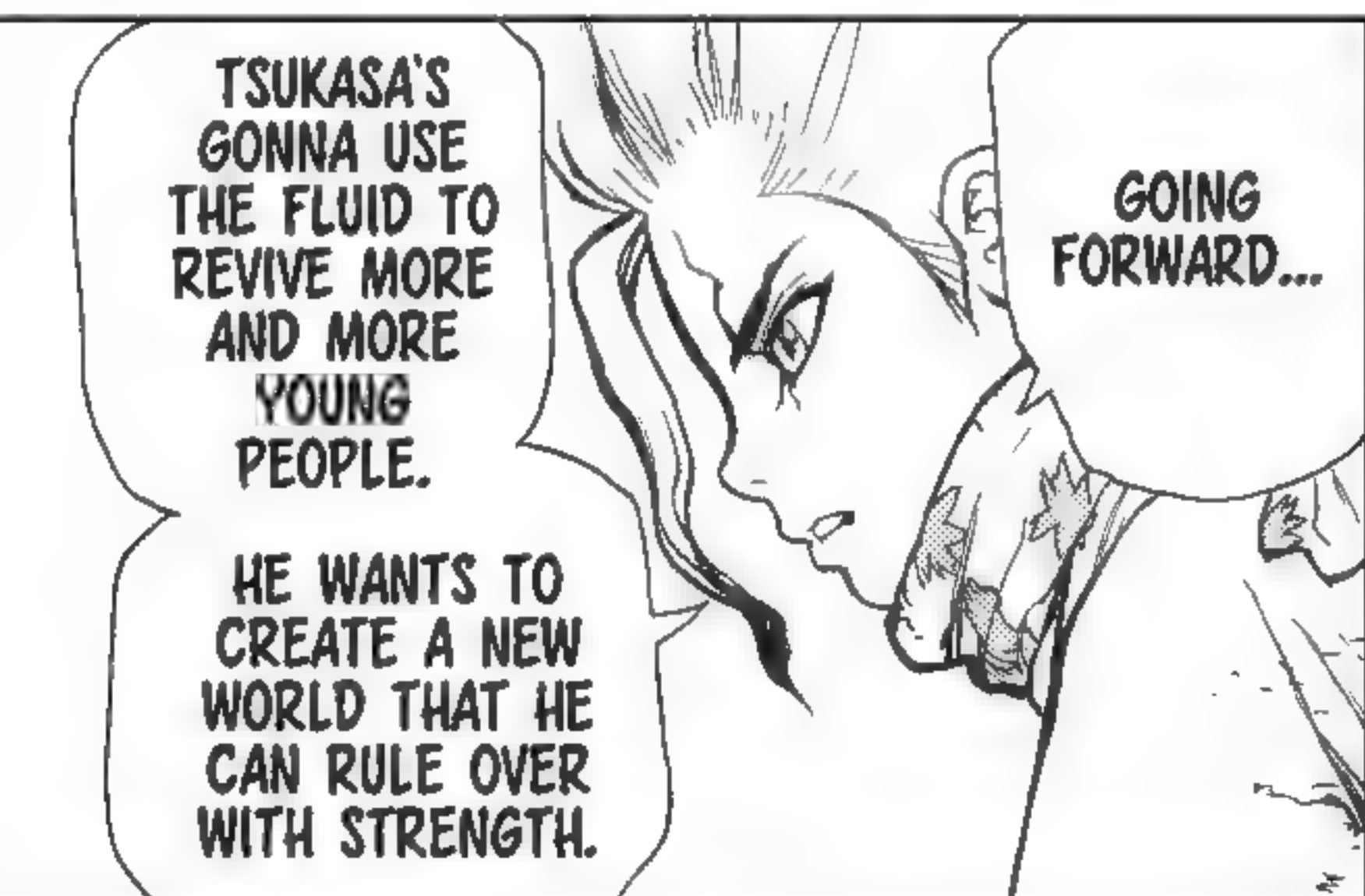
GREAT!
GOT IT...



TAIJU.
YOUR JOB
IS TO
PROTECT
HER.

I FILLED
YUZURIHA
IN ON THE
DETAILS OF
THE
MISSION.

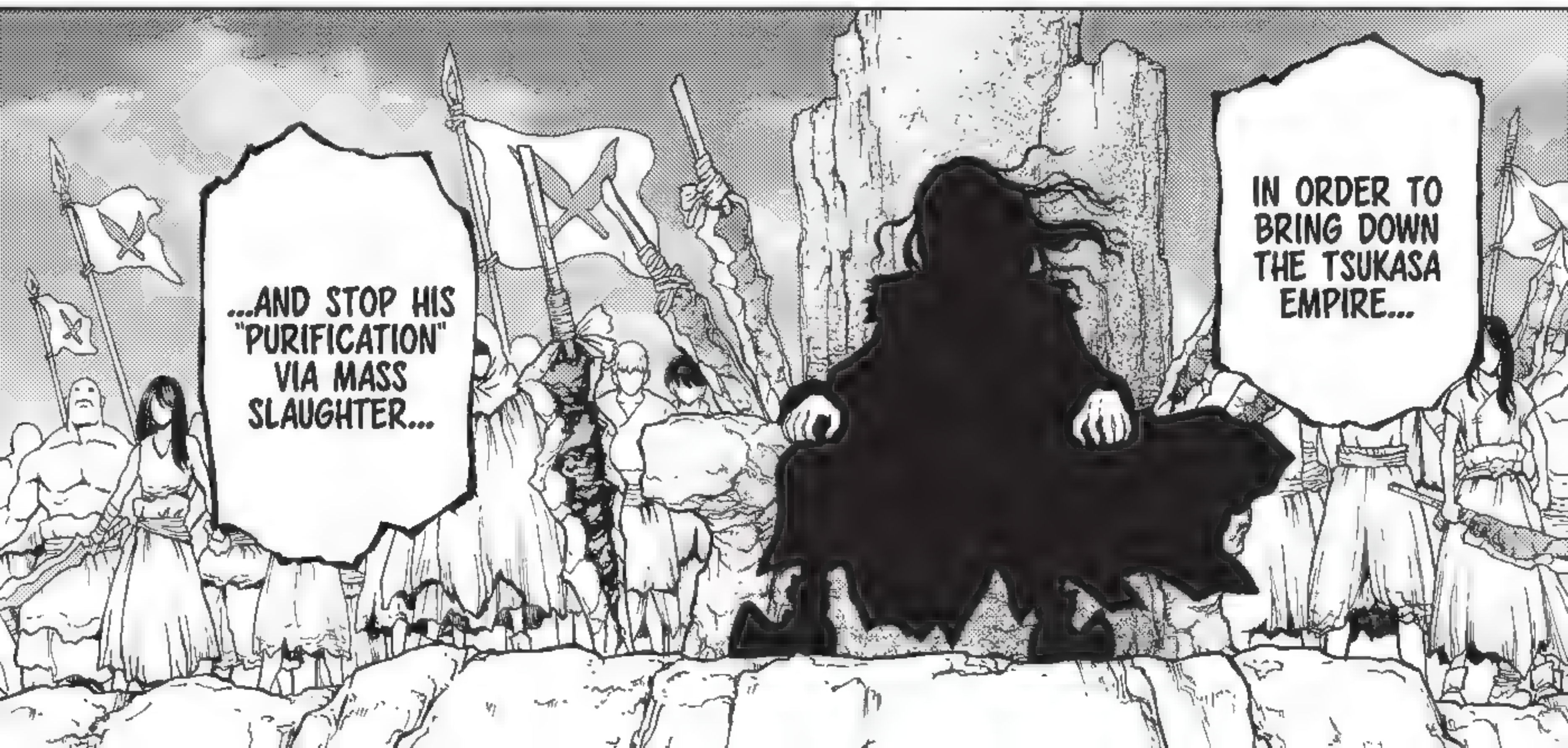
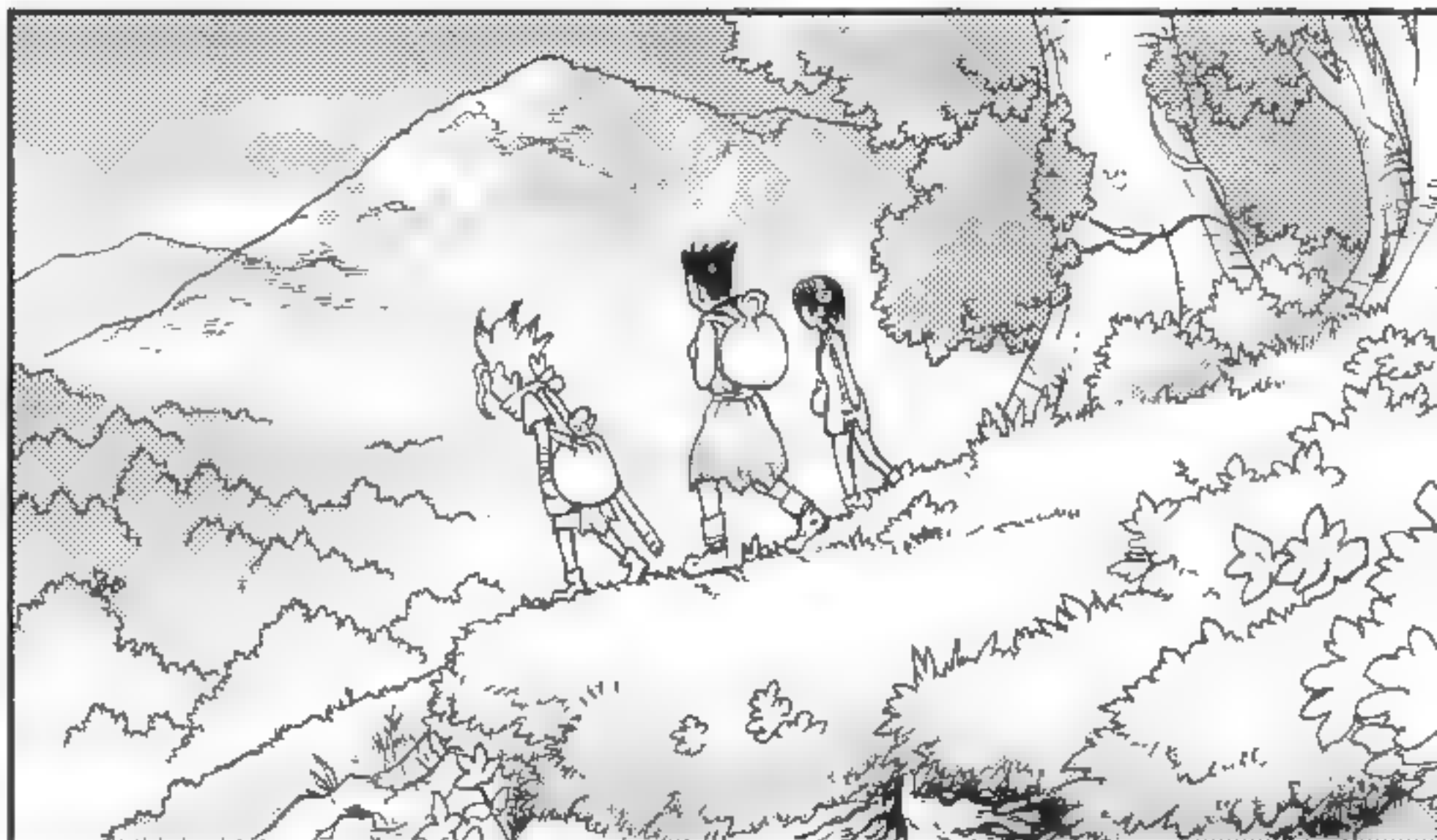
THE
LESS THAT
BLOCKHEAD
OF YOURS
KNOWS, THE
STRONGER
AN ASSET
YOU ARE.



TSUKASA'S
GONNA USE
THE FLUID TO
REVIVE MORE
AND MORE
YOUNG
PEOPLE.

HE WANTS TO
CREATE A NEW
WORLD THAT HE
CAN RULE OVER
WITH STRENGTH.

GOING
FORWARD...



...AND STOP HIS
"PURIFICATION"
VIA MASS
SLAUGHTER...

IN ORDER TO
BRING DOWN
THE TSUKASA
EMPIRE...



...AND
MAKE
SOME
ALLIES
OF OUR
OWN!

WE
MUST FIND
WHOEVER
SENT UP
THOSE
SMOKE
SIGNALS...



...THAT'LL
FIGHT
BACK WITH
SCIENCE!!

I NEED
A REBEL
ARMY...



HM?

TRUE
ENOUGH.
THERE'S
ONLY ONE
OPTION
LEFT.

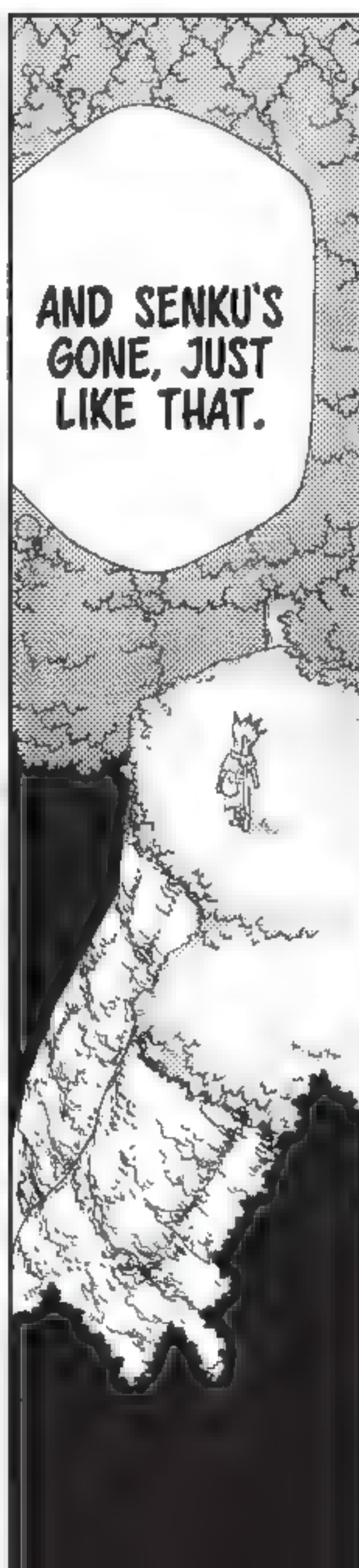
...WE
CAN'T
MAKE
MORE GUN-
POWDER!

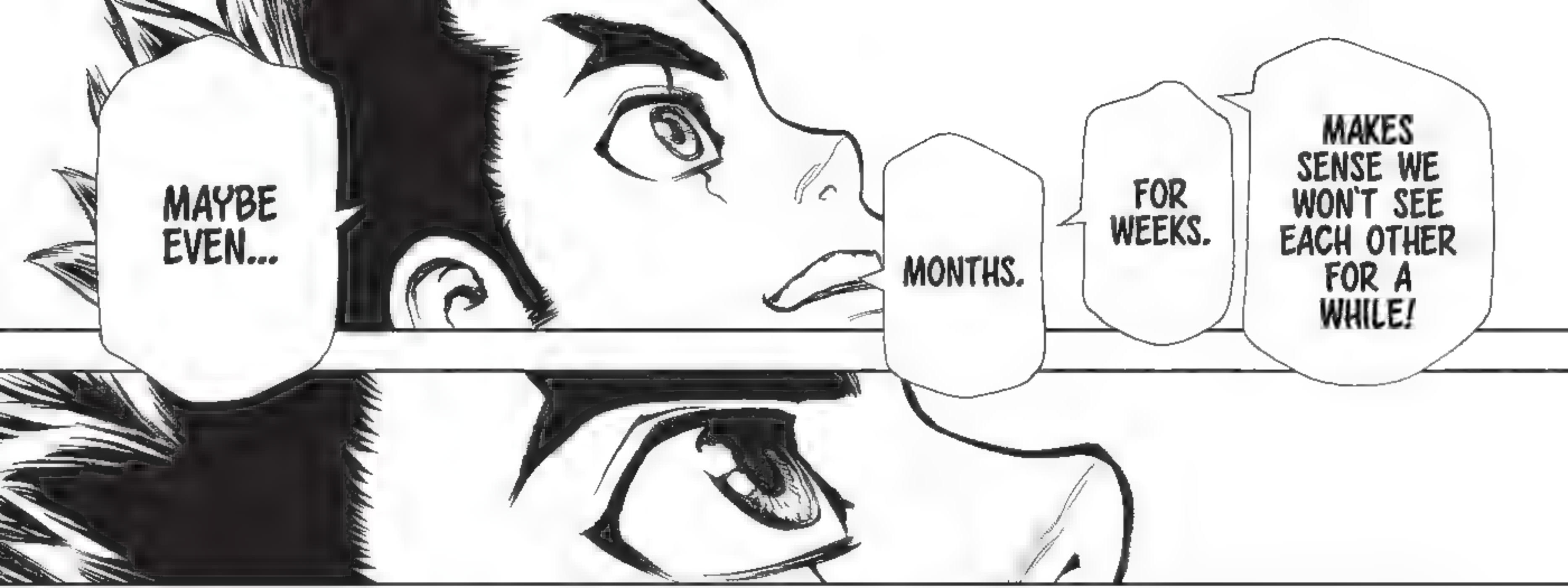
OR REVIVE
ANY PEOPLE
TO FIGHT ON
OUR SIDE!!

RIGHT! WITH
TSUKASA
CONTROLLING
THE SUPPLY
OF NITRIC
ACID...

BUT
SENKU,
WHAT CAN
YOU DO
ALONE...?







MAYBE
EVEN...

MONTHS.

FOR
WEEKS.

MAKES
SENSE WE
WON'T SEE
EACH OTHER
FOR A
WHILE!



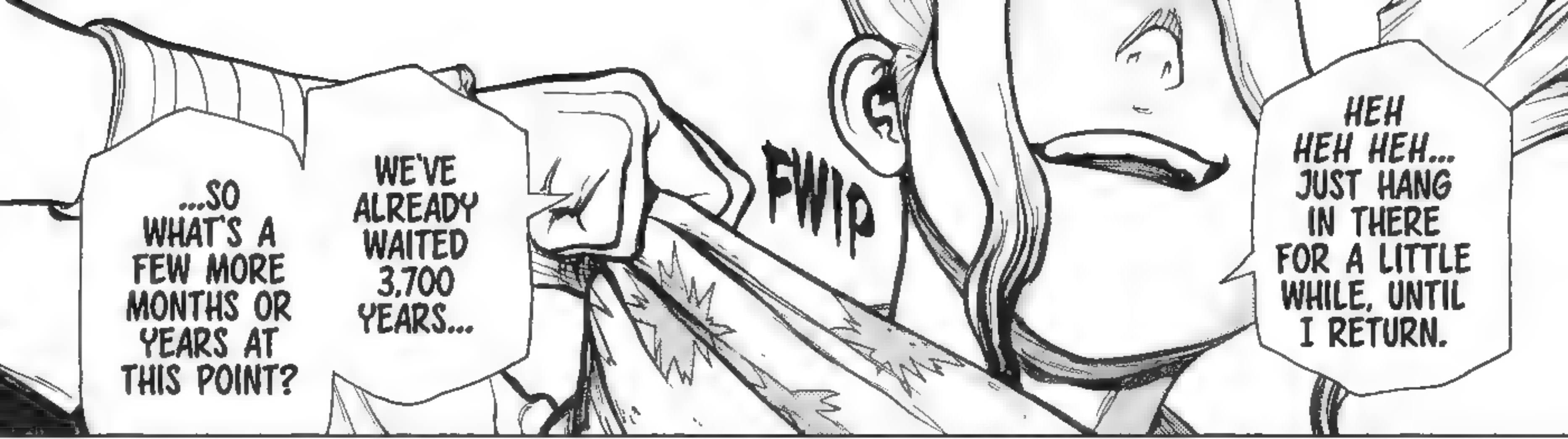
OH
CRAP!

PROMISE
THAT
WE'LL...

SHOULDN'T
BE
SHOUTING
...!!

SENKU
!!



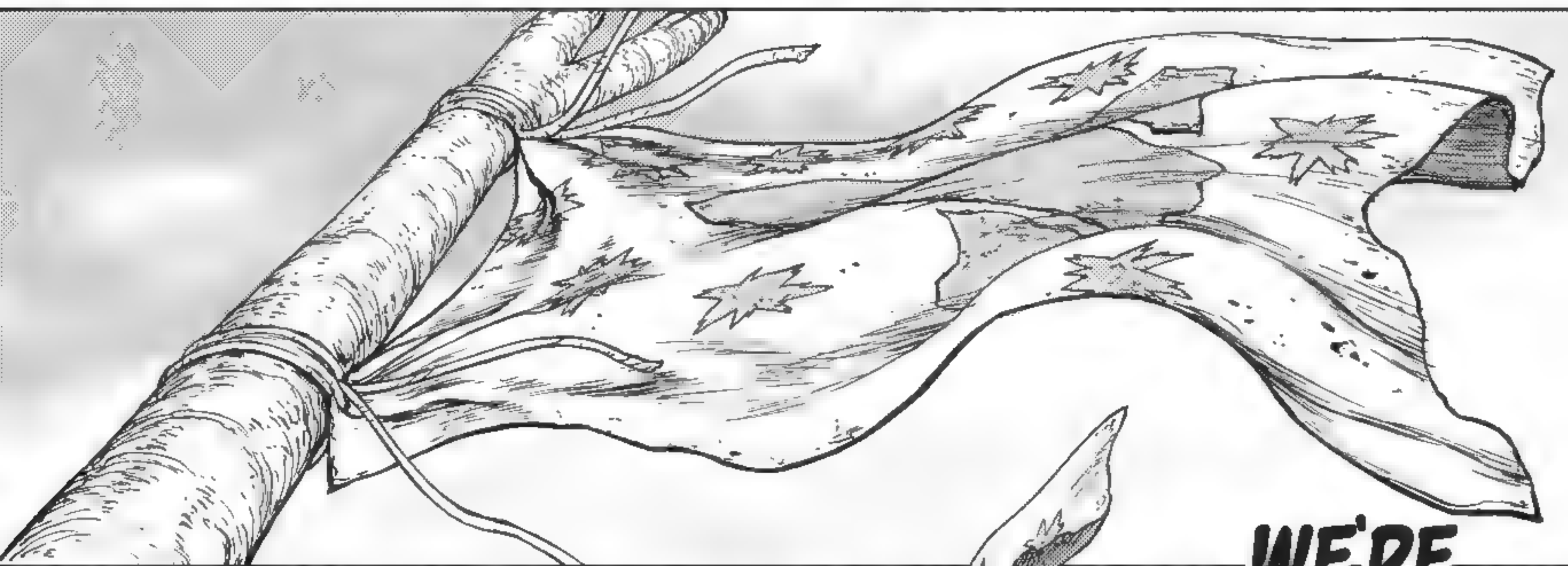


...SO
WHAT'S A
FEW MORE
MONTHS OR
YEARS AT
THIS POINT?

WE'VE
ALREADY
WAITED
3,700
YEARS...

FWIP

HEH
HEH HEH...
JUST HANG
IN THERE
FOR A LITTLE
WHILE, UNTIL
I RETURN.



**A
KINGDOM
OF
SCIENCE!**

**WE'RE
GONNA
BUILD
IT,
MARK
MY
WORDS...**

It's too
hard to
walk like
this!!

BONK

TM
P



TO
BUILD A
KINGDOM
OF
SCIENCE!



Z=16: Kohaku



...THE
MYSTERIOUS
GROUP "X"
THAT SENT
UP THOSE
SMOKE
SIGNALS.

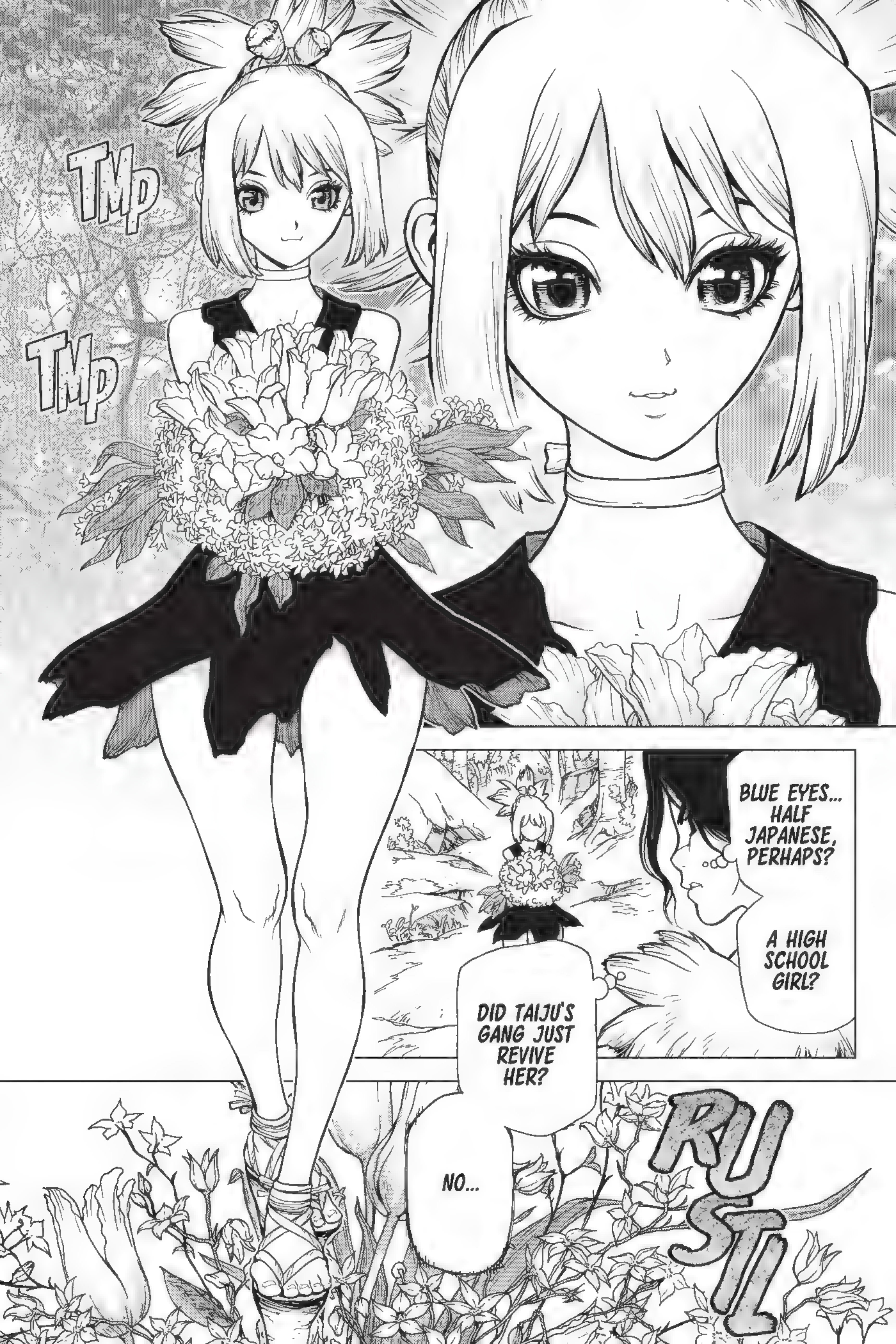
I'VE
GOTTA
MAKE AN
ALLIANCE
WITH...





FIFTY-SEVEN METERS BEHIND, TO THE RIGHT.





Tnp

Tnp

BLUE EYES...
HALF
JAPANESE,
PERHAPS?

A HIGH
SCHOOL
GIRL?

DID TAIJU'S
GANG JUST
REVIVE
HER?

NO...

RU
ST



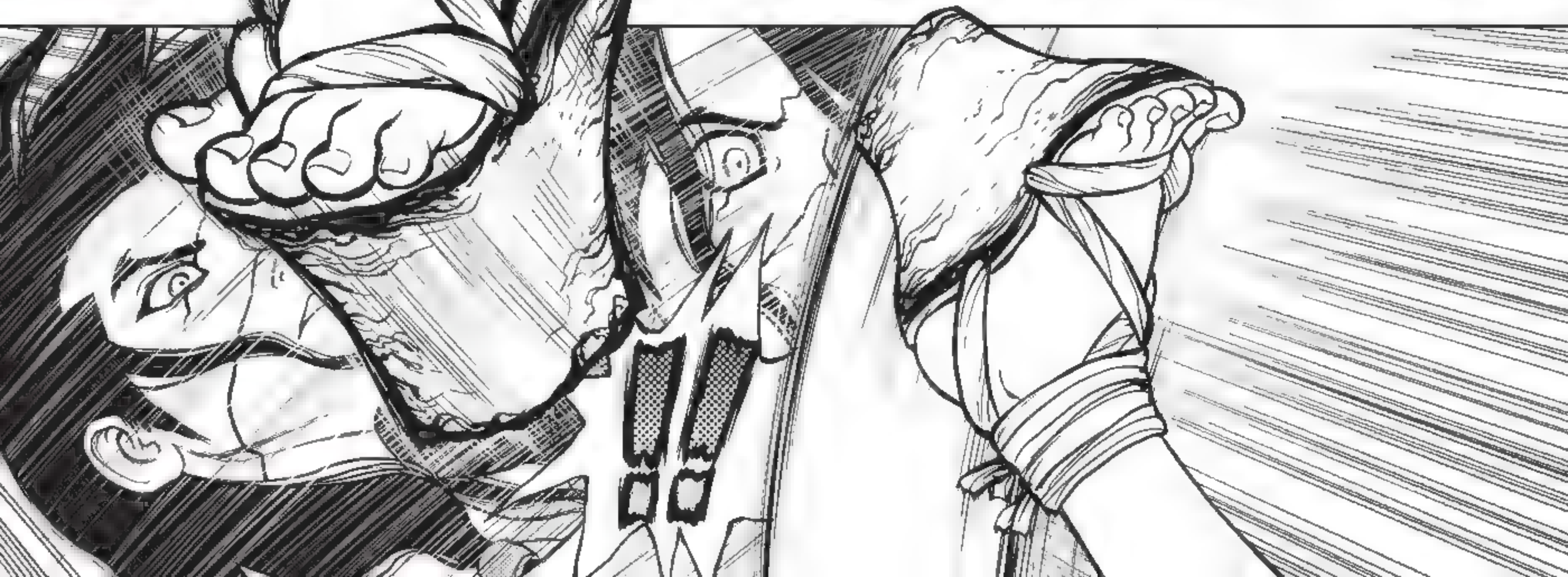
WHY NOT
START
WITH A
"NICE
TO MEET
YOU"?

THAT'S NO
WAY TO
INTRODUCE
YOURSELF.

NO NEED
FOR
WORDS!

YOU CAN
SPEAK
ALL YOU
WANT IN
HELL!!







I SAW EVERYTHING!



I WOULD HAVE HEARD ABOUT HER IN MARTIAL ARTS CIRCLES.

UNBELIEVABLE!

A GIRL HER AGE BEING SUCH A CAPABLE FIGHTER?

WHO IS SHE?!



EYESIGHT: 20/1.8

...YOU SLEW HIM WITHOUT MERCY!

AND THEN, WHEN THE GENTLEMAN GAVE HIMSELF UP TO SAVE HER...

YOU TOOK THAT GIRL HOSTAGE.



...UNTIL YOUR SOUL FADES FROM THIS EARTH!

APOLOGIZE FOR WHAT YOU DID TO THE GENTLEMAN SORCERER...

I COULDN'T HEAR YOUR CONVERSATION, BUT WHATEVER YOUR STORY IS, IT DOESN'T INTEREST ME!



OH? HAVE
YOU ALREADY
FORGOTTEN BEING
BATHED IN HIS
MAGIC?

THAT
STRANGE
BLACK
POWDER...

IT CALLED
FORTH THE
MOUNTAIN'S
RAGE.

IS SHE
TALKING
ABOUT THE
EXPLOSION?

THE
MOUNTAIN'S
RAGE?



SORCERER
?!

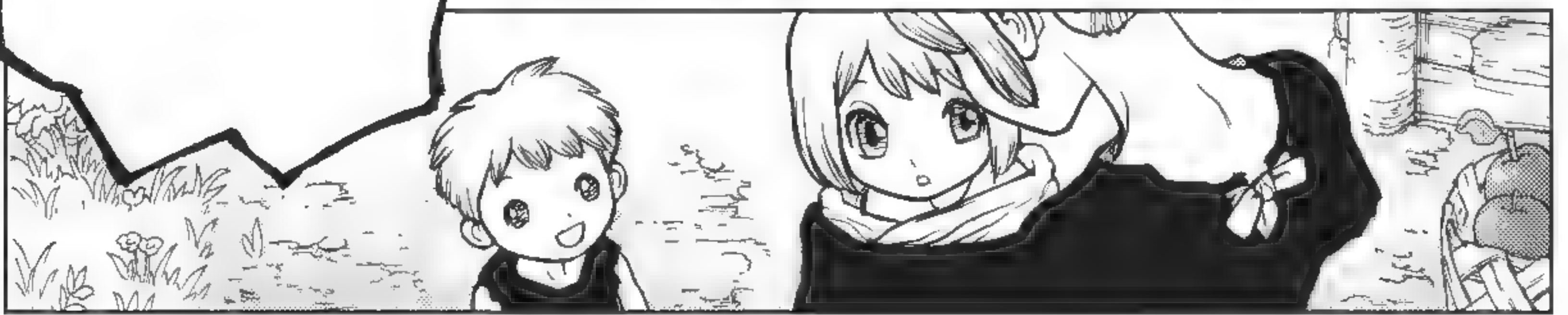


NO.

MAYBE
YOU'RE A
CHILD OF
SOMEONE
WHO WAS...

...YOU
WEREN'T
REVIVED FROM
PETRIFICATION.

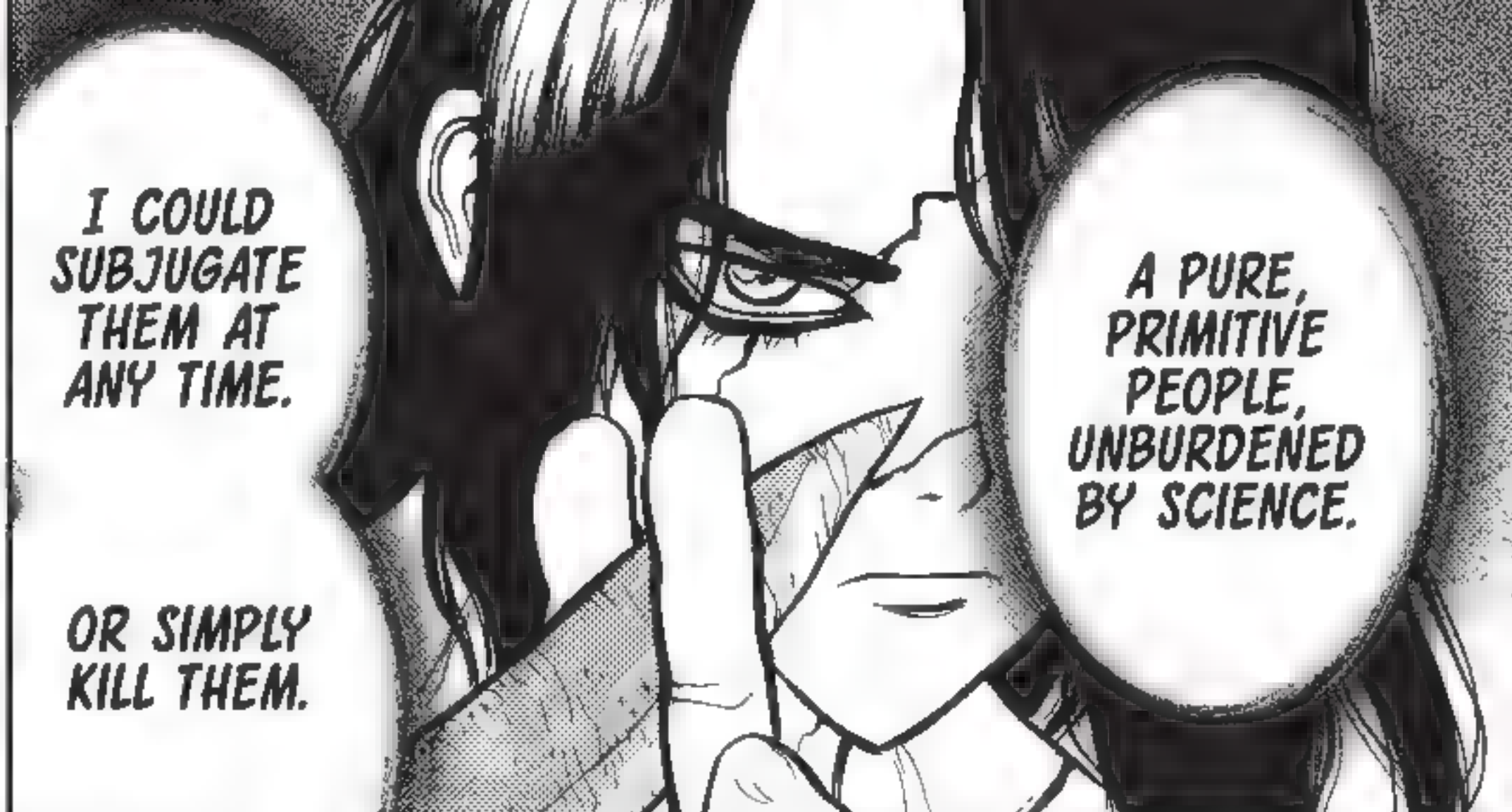
IT
SEEMS AS
THOUGH...





NO. RIGHT
NOW I
NEED TO
HURRY...

THERE'S
NO REASON
TO ATTACK
NOW.



I COULD
SUBJUGATE
THEM AT
ANY TIME.

OR SIMPLY
KILL THEM.

A PURE,
PRIMITIVE
PEOPLE,
UNBURDENED
BY SCIENCE.

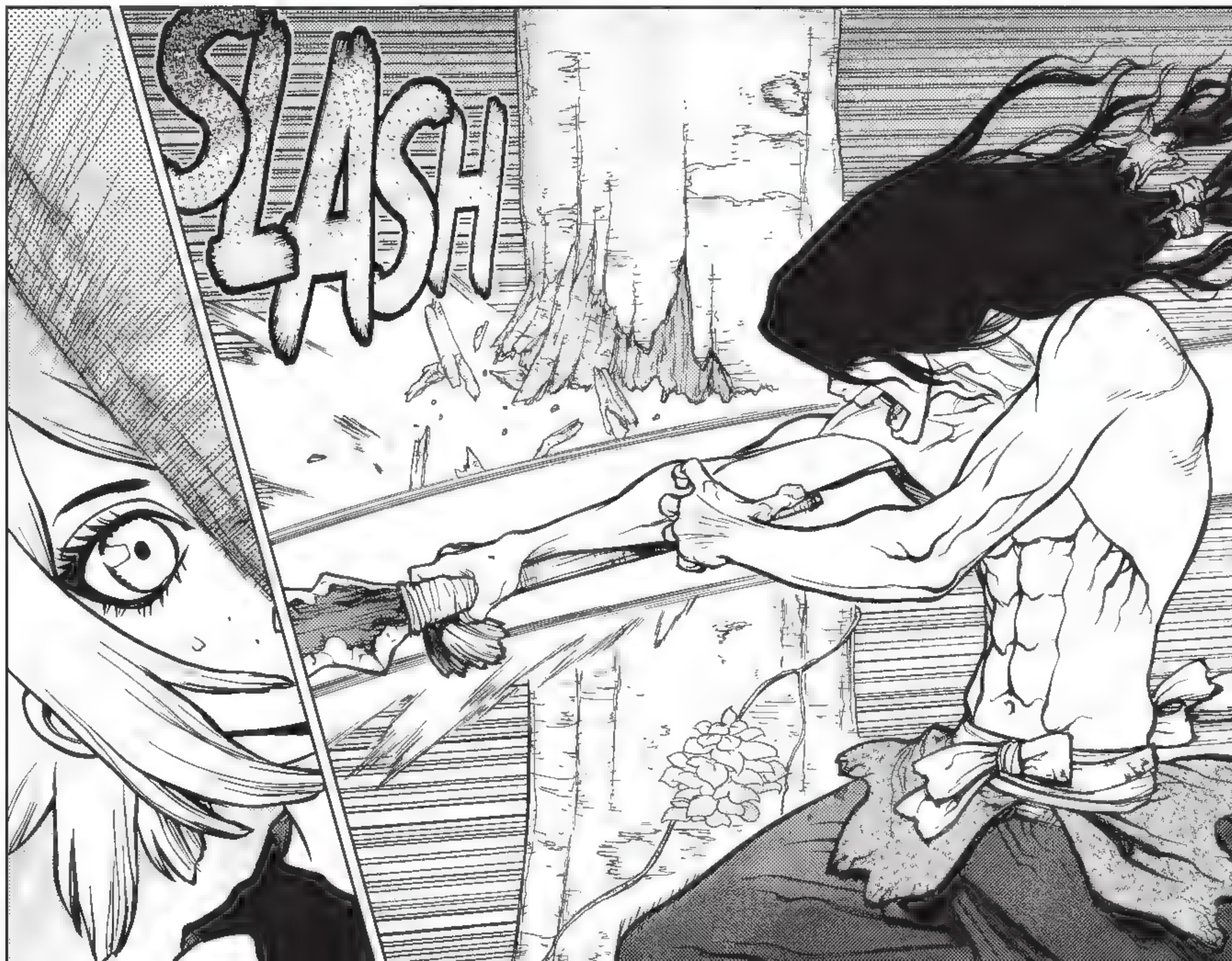


...BEFORE
TAIJU AND
YUZURIHA!
THEY BOTH
KNOW HOW
TO MAKE
GUNPOWDER.

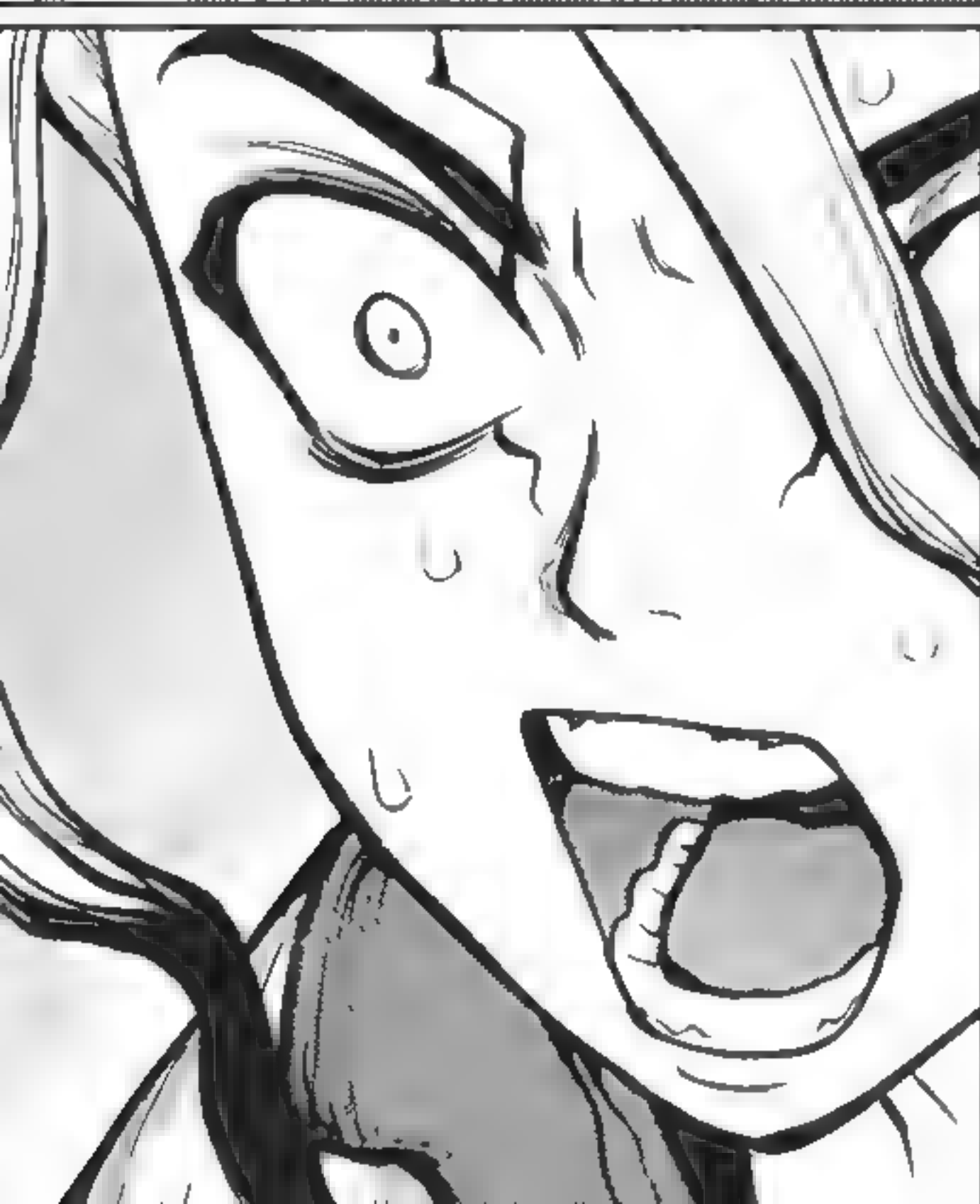
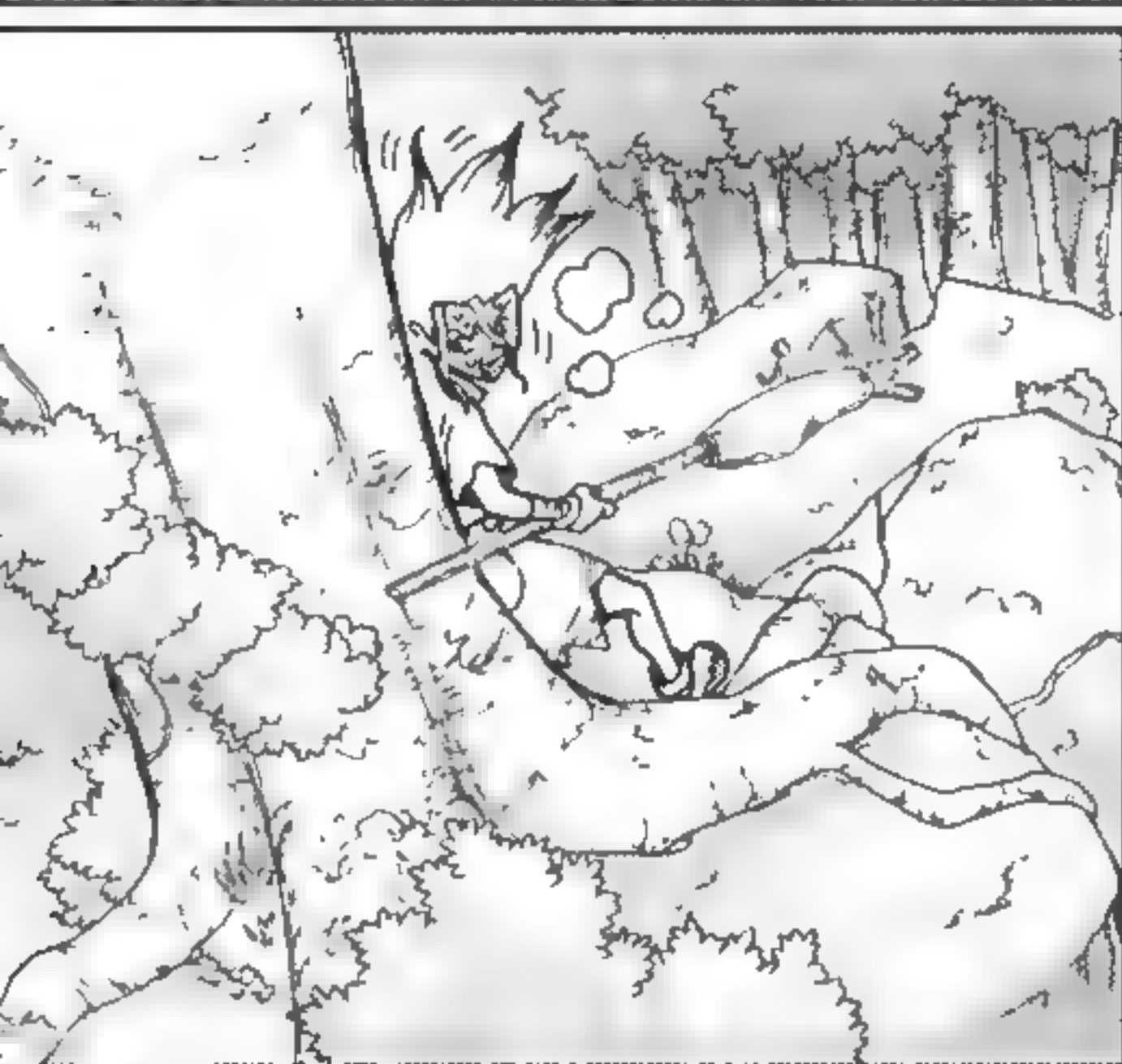
THE
SOURCE OF
THE REVIVAL
FLUID MUST
BE MINE.



...BACK TO
THE CAVE...



SLASH







IF YOU'RE ABOUT TO DIE...

...WE MIGHT MANAGE TO BLAST YOU OUTTA THERE WITH WHAT LITTLE GUNPOWDER'S LEFT.

YOU MIGHT DIE FROM WAITING FOR SO LONG, BUT THERE'S A TEN BILLION PERCENT CHANCE I CAN SAVE YOU!!

BUT IF YOU CAN GIMME SOME TIME...

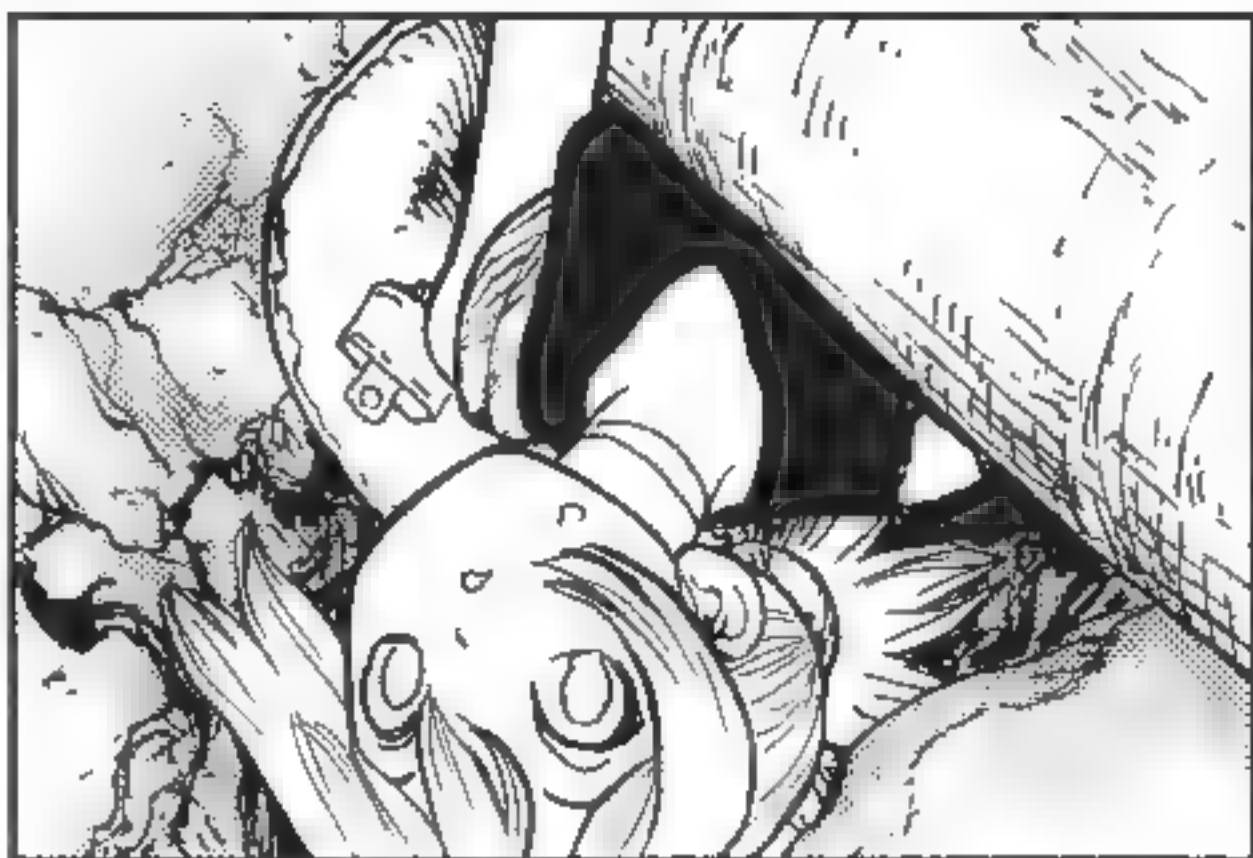


DON'T WASTE ENERGY TALKING! WE CAN INTRODUCE OURSELVES UNTIL WE'RE SICK OF EACH OTHER ONCE YOU'RE SAFE!

SAVE YOUR STRENGTH FOR NOW!



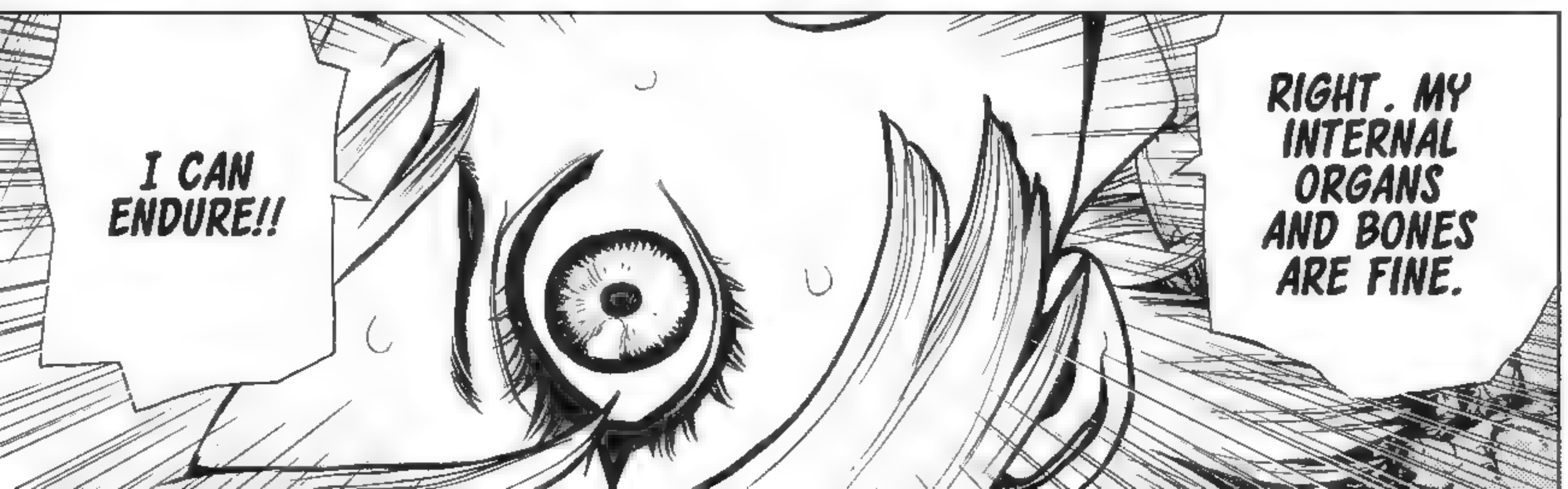
CAN YOU HOLD OUT UNTIL SUNSET?



WHICH'LL IT BE?!

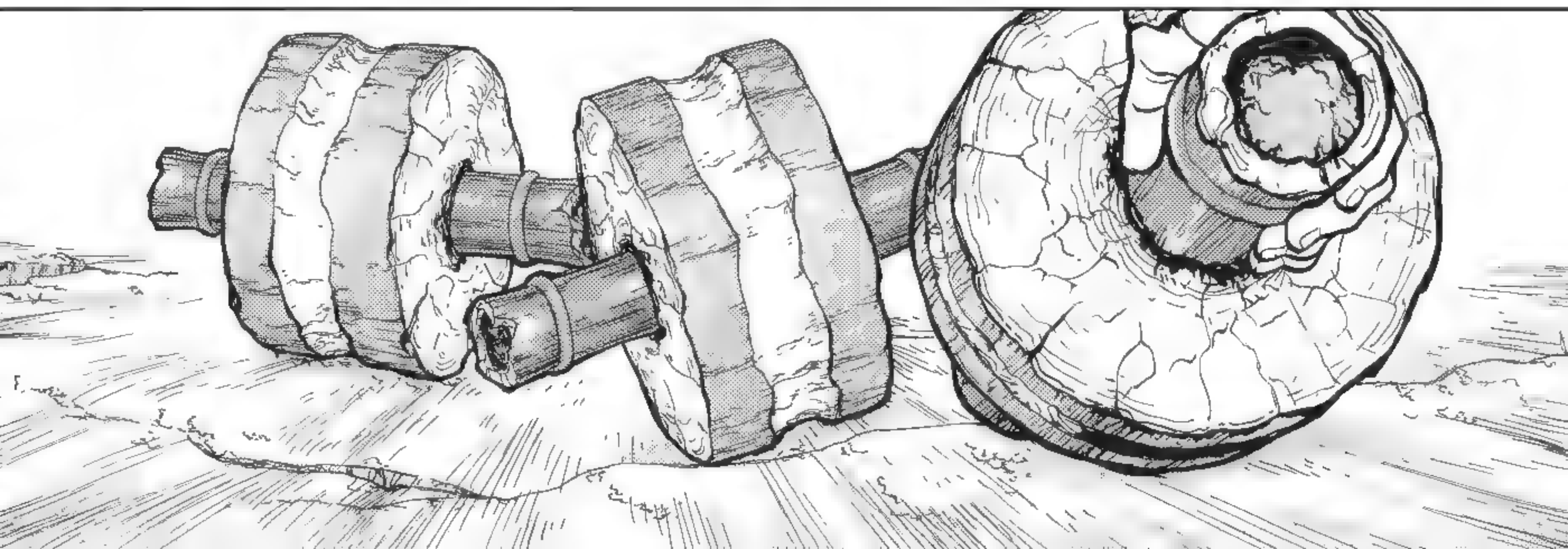
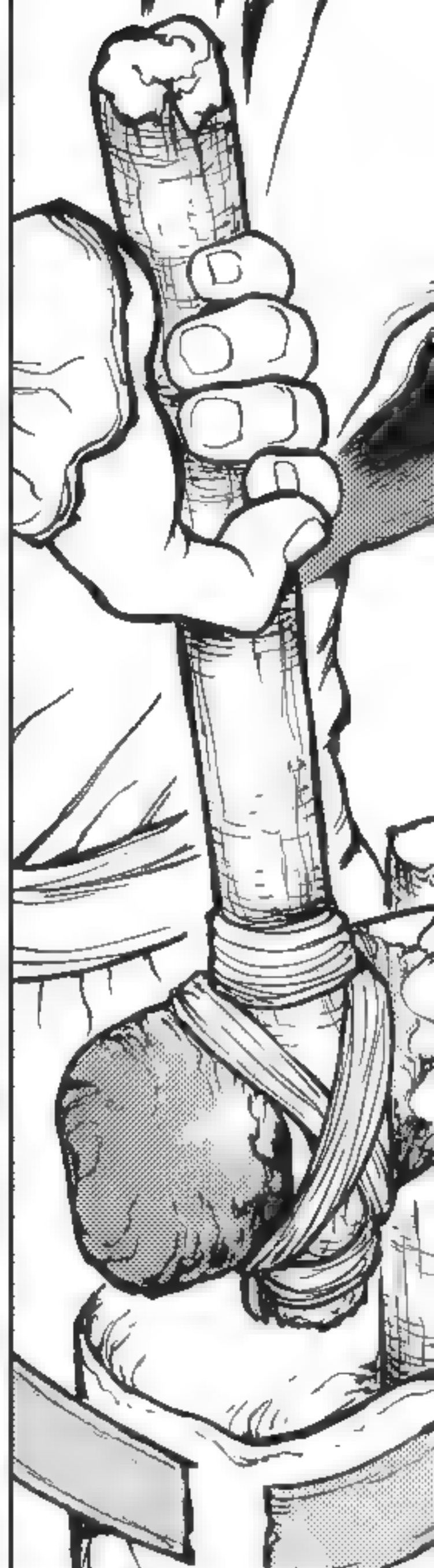


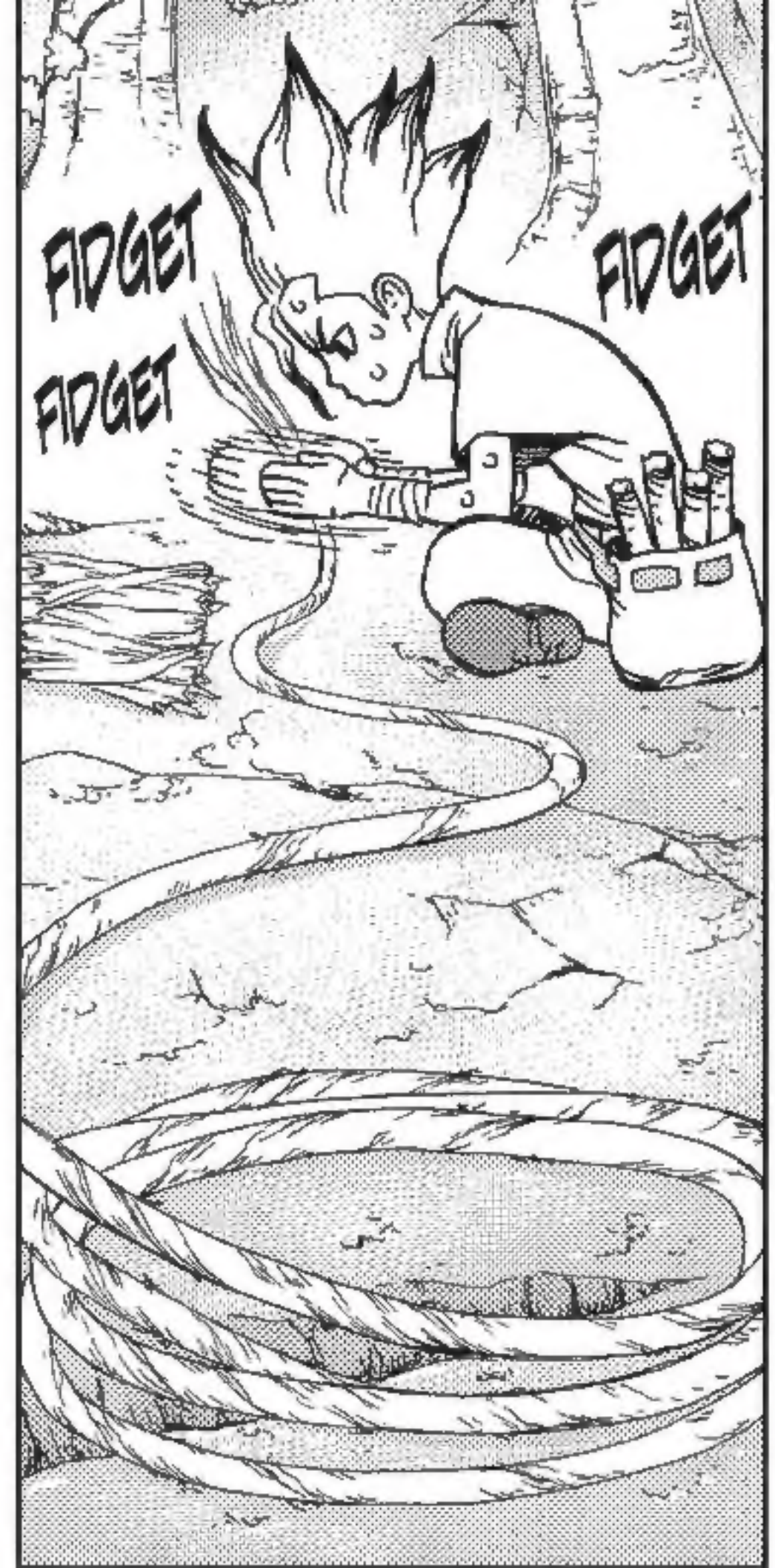
LISTEN, YOU HAVE TWO CHOICES. ONLY YOU CAN ANSWER, SO ANSWER QUICK.



I CAN ENDURE!!

RIGHT. MY INTERNAL ORGANS AND BONES ARE FINE.





IT WAS
INVENTED A
FEW HUNDRED
YEARS
BEFORE
CHRIST...

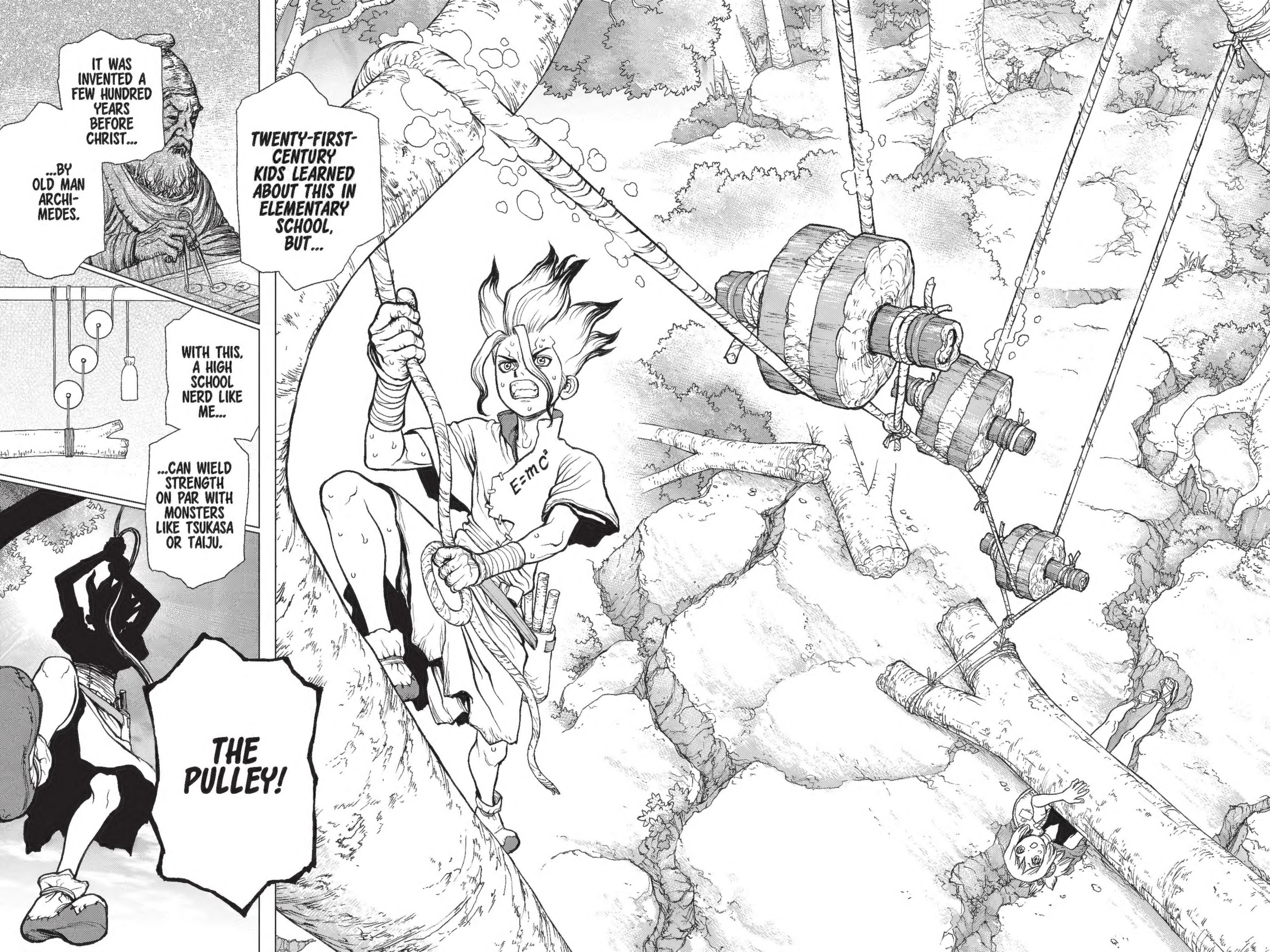
...BY
OLD MAN
ARCHI-
MEDES.

TWENTY-FIRST-
CENTURY
KIDS LEARNED
ABOUT THIS IN
ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL,
BUT...

WITH THIS,
A HIGH
SCHOOL
NERD LIKE
ME...

...CAN WIELD
STRENGTH
ON PAR WITH
MONSTERS
LIKE TSUKASA
OR TAIJU.

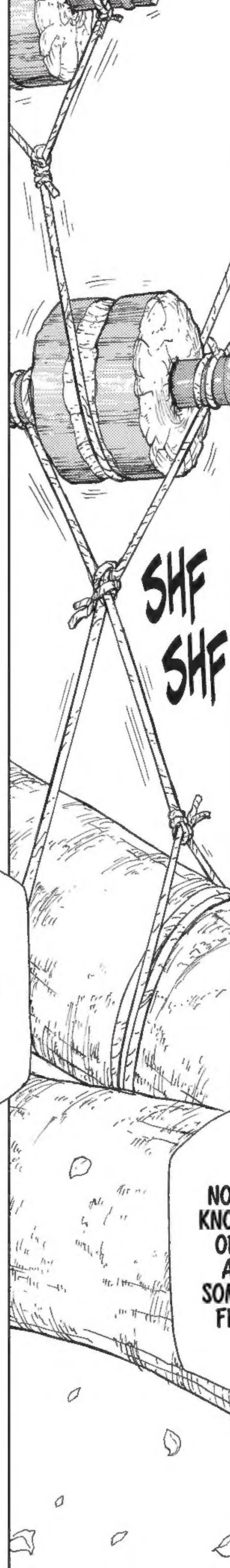
THE
PULLEY!





**BUT HOW
YOU KEPT
HAMMERING
AWAY AT THE
PROBLEM,
ONE STEP
AT A TIME.**

**YOUR
UNWAVERING
CONVICTION!**

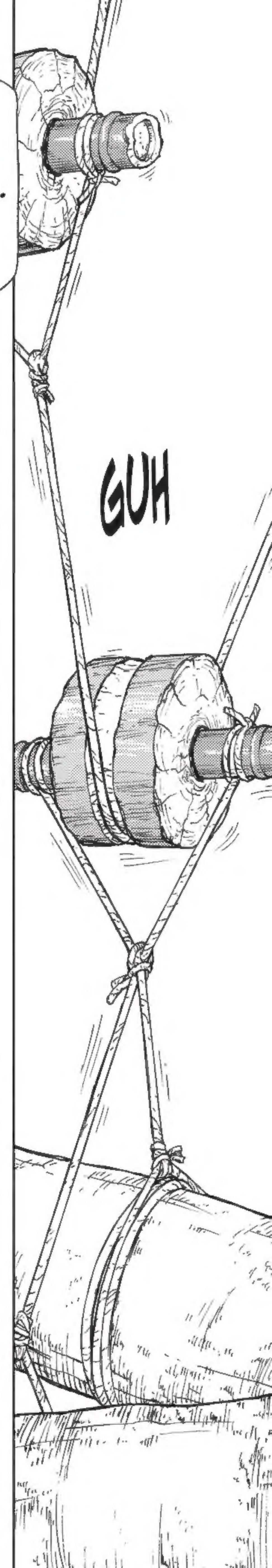


**SHF
SHF**

**NOT YOUR
KNOWLEDGE
OF THAT
ARCHI-
SOMETHING
FELLOW.**



ASTOUNDING...



GUH

**AND I DO
BELIEVE...**

**...I'VE
FALLEN
FOR YOU
QUITE
HARD.**

**MY
NAME IS
KOHAKU.**

TO BE CONTINUED